ONAL MENTION.

covill, was in Bement today

Scruggs is confined to his ness.

Plummer, of St. Louis, is in ting relatives.

Smith, of Mt. Zion, was in ay on business.

P. Blume, of Chicago, was esterday on business.

A. Ewing came in from attend the commencement

y A. M. Taylor, who has been tives at Clinton, arrived home g.

lora E. Hill, who has been t the high school, left this Chicago.

Brenneman, who has been in urned yesterday to his home

N. Atkin, who has been vis. old home at Macon, Mo., d home.

nd Mrs. L. J. Hawkins, of re in the city the guests of Hawkins and wife.

Freeman is home from St. e he attended the Supreme e Knights of Honor.

d Mrs. George Conover, of l leave today for Manitou, where they will spend the

K. Dinges, who has been at- medical department of the rn University at Chicago, ome for the summer vacation.

eorge F. Hall arrived home g from a 1,400 mile lecture cing Chicago, Ill., and Has. He will occupy his pulpit s usual.

y Jones, who graduated at hn's Military Academy at Wis., returned home last was accompanied by his pa- and Mrs. H. C. Jones, who e commencement exercises.

Convention.

al convention of the Epworth Decatur district will convene at odist church in this city next first session will be called to 0 o'clock Monday afternoon. ing there will be a lecture and another business session will uesday night the convention ith a social. There are to be f prominent members of the n in attendance. The delegates n Macon and other surround- s which compose the district.

e County Convention.

essions of the Macon county Christian Temperance Union d June 17 and 18 at the W. C. on North Main street. The sions will be held at the First ch. Mrs. Carrie L. Grout, of will speak Thursday evening, Gospel Cure for Intemperance." ning, grand gold medal con- church. All invited.

Another Hot Day.

perature today was as high as nd the heat seemed to be even essive. The mercury in the the day lingered about 90 de- e business portion of the city ely uncomfortable during the ryone who could do so kept in

The Nat at Riverside.

torium at Riverside park is n charge of Otto Weaver. All to go down and take a swim. fresh, clean and neat. The first-class condition.

w morning Children's Day ill be held at the First Metho- in place of the regular service. be a program of songs and by the children.

AL

pure

WDER.

brated of all world—cel-

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ROYA

NG

The Daily Republican.

VOL. XXV. NO. 62. DECATUR, ILLINOIS, MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1897. 10 CENTS PER WEEK

LONDON JUBILEE.

Preparations for the Queen's Festival Day in the British Capital.

SIX MILES OF CITY LIKE A CIRCUS

Rows on Rows of Seats in Place to View the Procession—Carpenters Getting $5 and $6 a Day.

New York, June 14.—A London special says: Six miles of London today resemble the amphitheater of a circus. From Buckingham palace up to Constitution hill to Picadilly, down Picadilly to St. James street, thence by way of Pall Mall street and Fleet street to St. Paul's catedral, and after that across the Thames by way of Cheapside, King William street and London bridge, and back to the palace around through Borough and High streets, through Road, Westminster bridge, Parliament street, White Hall and the Mall, and the shops, hotels, residences, churches, parks and public buildings are hidden from view behind miles and miles of pine board seats. Not one foot of available space along the entire route for the jubilee procession is left unoccupied. Sloping roofs of churches where there is a possibility of seating a human being have rows of seats. Every carpenter in London is working along the route of the procession and the permanent building trade is at a stand still, while artisans of the hammer and saw are getting the unprecedented wages of $5 and $6 a day. Some of the stands which are wholly or partly finished have been temporarily decorated by the owners, so as to see how they will look on jubilee day. Some of them are most attractive sights and if their owners show the same decorative capacity this part of London will soon look like a fairy town. Real flowers are to be profusely used in the decorations. At one or two stands box offices have been opened and gaily decorated with electricity. At present the sale of seats is very slack. People are waiting for the inevitable slump in prices. If stand owners only get a couple of guineas a seat the profits will not be large. As it looks now there will be plenty of seats for sale on jubilee day at a guinea, five shillings and one shilling each. There are people in London unfeeling enough to generate glee over the circumstances that landlords all along the route of procession will have evicted tenants under the impression that the prices of windows on jubilee day would more than make up a year's rental. They will probably not only lose on rents but on money paid for the erection of stands.

MAYOR KILLED BY AN EDITOR.

Old Feud Leads to a Sensational Tragedy in the Streets of Bunker Hill.

Bunker Hill, Ill., June 14.—The long continued antagonism between Editor Hedley of the Gazette and Mayor John R. Richards, culminated Saturday in the former shooting the latter resulting in his death. The immediate cause of the tragedy was an assault made upon Hedley by the mayor, this being the third time that Richards had attacked the editor.

At noon Mr. Hedley left his office to go to dinner and when in front of McPherson's hardward store he was met by Richards who started in to roast the editor, and finally assaulted him, striking him in the face. Hedley backed away, seeking to evade his assailant, but was followed by the mayor, who was cursing and abusing the editor and endeavoring to strike him.

Warding off the blows as best he could, Hedley finally drew a pistol and fired twice at his assailant. One bullet struck Richards in the left arm, the other going through the right kidney. The dying man was carried to his residence across the street and Hedley continued his homeward course. Physicians were hastily summoned to the wounded man's side, and Dr. Mudd, of St. Louis, came on a special train, but to no purpose, as the patient died at 6 o'clock, while the surgeons were endeavoring to extract the bullet.

Hedley was immediately arrested and taken to Carlinville by Marshal Herbst and Deputy Sheriff Baker. His bond was placed at $2000, furnished by Editor Lumpkins of the Enquirer of that city.

The affair was the result of an old feud, and friends of both, endeavoring to settle the difficulty some time ago, induced them to sign an agreement in which both agreed to certain stipulations, one of which was that they were to speak to each other in public.

Richards was 60 years of age and weighed 250 pounds, while Hedley is a small, light built man, and was in no wise the physical equal of his assailant.

POSTMASTER NABBED.

William Hunt and His Daughter, of Oakland, Ill., in Trouble.

Oakland, Ill., June 14.—For several months firms and private individuals of this city and Paris, Ill., have lost money in the mails and letters have failed to reach their destination. No suspicion rested on Postmaster William Hunt. He has long been a prominent Democratic worker in this county and congressional district. Nor was his daughter, Vina, whom he appointed deputy, suspected, but some thought that Miss Anna Cossins, a poor girl employed in the office, would prove the guilty one.

The matter culminated about midnight Friday night, when Detective M. G. Price, of Chicago, arrested Postmaster William Hunt and his daughter and deputy, Vina Hunt. When confronted with the evidence Miss Hunt confessed the crime, and fully exonerated Miss Anna Cossins from all complicity in the stealings. She said that she had taken about $800 since last September.

Postmaster and daughter appeared before the United States commissioner at Danville and gave bonds for their appearance in the federal court. Postmaster Hunt is very wealthy, and the girl has heretofore borne an unblemished character. There can be no cause assigned for the girl's peculation. When examined she had over $50 in her purse. The postoffice was checked up last night and found to be correct to a cent. The affair has created much excitement here, as all parties are well connected.

Identification of Oliver.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 14.—This morning J. R. Hillner, of Atchison, arrived here and identified J. W. Oliver as the man who purchased two sticks of dynamite from him Wednesday. Oliver was thrown into a high state of excitement when Hillner picked him out, and he has been acting in a wild manner all day. In an interview Mr. Hillner said:

"Oliver came into the store and said that he wanted two sticks of dynamite to blow up a den of wolves, and while there was not much premium on them he knew people who raised them just to get scalp money."

About noon Oliver sent for a correspondent to write out a statement for him, with ex-Chief of Police Walters as a witness, and an effort was made to get a confession but Oliver was excited and could not be induced to talk. He agreed to write a full statement and worked for hour at the task. Most of his manuscript he burned, but he furnished six pages that the attorney who took his case this evening secured and refused to give out. Mrs. Smith is critically ill, and she came near dying last night. The board of soldiers' home managers will be here Thursday. Col. Sidney Cooke, the Kansas member, arrived this morning.

Militiamen Save Alabama Negroes.

Birmingham, Ala., June 14.—The two companies of Birmingham militia returned early Sunday morning from Huntsville, where they were called to assist in protecting the jail against a mob from Decatur, Ala., who were after three negroes, Louis Thompson, Walter Neville and Rosalind Binford, who were accused of criminally assaulting little Nellie Lawton at Decatur. The soldiers brought the accused negroes here and landed them in the county jail. The soldiers took a roundabout way in getting from Huntsville, avoiding Decatur, where a mob might have attacked the train. The negroes deny the charge. Sheriff O'Brien says he will allow no mob to take the prisoners from him. A mob once attacked the jail here for a wife murderer and twelve or fifteen of the best citizens were killed. It is not believed another attack will be made soon.

Earthquake Particulars.

Calcutta, June 14.—Later reports increase the gravity of the earthquake shocks of Saturday in this city and vicinity. Shocks were felt at Simla, Agra, Bombay, Manipur and many places far down in the central provinces. An immense amount of damage was done. At Bogley, Burdwan and Dacca several persons were killed. At Dargiling many houses were destroyed. The ground opened at Manipur and the town of Kohima was severely damaged. The heat was the highest on record—126 in the shade at Jacobabadk on the frontier of Daluhistan.

Death of the Human Ostrich.

San Francisco, June 14.—Harry Whallen, the "human ostrich," who was operated upon Saturday and from whose stomach the surgeons took two pocket knives, three knife blades, three ounces of fine glass, and tacks, nails, screws and staples to the number of seventy, died this morning. He had been unable to take nourishment since the operation.

Strikers Returned to Work.

Hudson, N. Y., June 14.—The entire force of employes of the Apsley Rubber company returned to work today at the offered wages, which are considerably lower than the former pay.

SPANISH MISSION.

The President Has the Matter Under Consideration but No Choice Has Yet Been Made.

HON. C. G. DAWES VISITS COX

De Lome Notifies the Government that He Suspects a Filibustering Expedition is Forming—Suspected of Trifling

Chattanooga, Tenn., June 14.—There is absolutely nothing new to say in regard to the Spanish mission, and as this is great measure includes the Cuban question, no policy on the latter question can be given. A gentleman close to the administration said to a correspondent with the presidential party:

"The question of the Cuban policy occupies the president day and night. The situation is an embarrassing, though not an unusual one. I think I am fully justified in saying that the offer of the mission has not been officially made to any one. Therefore, to say that Cox or any one else has declined it is not true. Of course, you know that Mr. Dawes, of Chicago, brought word from General Cox that he was busy writing reminiscences, or rather a history of his connection with the war, and for that and other reasons was not willing to go. Here lies the embarrassment. First-class men, properly qualified and eminently fitted for this eminent post, do not care to appear in the light of an ulterior choice. The president feels that it is as much the duty of the patriot to accept service to prevent war as it is to enter an army for the prosecution of one.

"There is a possibility that Mr. McKinley will decide to select some gentleman, who, well known in his section and to the appointing power as a proper man to succeed Minister Taylor, is not as well known to the people or the politicians as the gentlemen whose names have been suggested in connection with this mission."

DE LOME'S NOTIFICATION.

Another Expedition Said to be Forming on the Florida Coast.

Washington, June 14.—Minister De Lome has notified the state department that he has information to the effect that a large filibustering expedition is being fitted out somewhere on the east coast of Florida. This information has been sent to the treasury department by Assistant Secretary of State Day. It was stated that arms had been shipped from Jacksonville down the east coast railroad and that it was the intention to load them on some unknown vessel to sail for Cuba. The treasury department telegraphed all its subordinates in Florida to look out for this expedition.

Every now and then the officers in the employ of the Spanish minister give information of this kind to the state department, and the best efforts possible are made to prevent expeditions from sailing. But the information is indefinite, and more than half the time it has been found to be mere guess work or is an attempt on the part of the Spanish minister to make the American authorities a little more alert, "in doing spy work for Spain," as Senator Frye calls it. The Spanish spies have to do something to earn their pay, and reporting imaginary expeditions is said to be the principal part of their work.

Cyclone and Death.

Lima, Peru, June 14.—A cyclone swept over Arequipa June 6. No serious damage. Dr. Barinaga, minister of justice under Pierola, is dead.

BASE BALL.

National League—June 12.

New York 9, St. Louis 2.
Chicago 6, Brooklyn 5.
Boston 5, Cincinnati 1.
Baltimore 15, Louisville 6.
Washington 4, Pittsburg 2.
Philadelphia 5, Cleveland 0.

Western League—June 12.

Columbus 17, St. Paul 10.
Detroit 8, Kansas City 4.
Grand Rapids 19, Milwaukee 0.
Indianapolis 12, Minneapolis 4.

Western League—Sunday Games.

St. Paul 6, Columbus 2.
Milwaukee 15, Grand Rapids 7.
Kansas City 12, Detroit 9.

How They Stand.

	Won.	Lost.	Pr. ct
Baltimore	29	9	.763
Boston	28	12	.700
Cincinnati	25	14	.641
New York	20	16	.556
Philadelphia	23	20	.535
Brooklyn	21	19	.525
Cleveland	19	20	.487
Pittsburg	19	20	.487
Louisville	17	23	.425
Chicago	16	25	.390
Washington	13	25	.342
St. Louis	8	25	.276

THE TARIFF TALK.

Longer Hours to be Devoted to the Discussion in the Senate.

Washington, June 14.—Interest in the tariff debate is not drawing large crowds to the senate at present. It was agreed today to begin the sessions at 11 o'clock after Wednesday next and close at 5. Allen, of Nebraska, reverted to the colloquy of last Saturday in which he held it was the rightful duty of the government to take legal steps to dissolve the sugar trust. He argued that if the government had the legal right to do so, why should the senate waste time haggling over the sugar schedule and sugar trust. Allen next spoke in favor of the abrogation of the Hawaiian treaty.

The Treaty.

The treaty for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States will be sent to the senate soon after the return of the president, unless the present plans are altered. All details were fully agreed upon and the treaty written before the president south. The treaty is on the same general lines as that negotiated during the administration of President Harrison and withdrawn by President Cleveland. It provides for annexation without exaction and conditions by the Hawaiians as to the form of government to be vouchsafed Hawaii, leaving that question entirely to the United States. Later it will assume the Hawaiian debt, but will get all Hawaiian crown lands and other possessions.

Killed Her Rival at a Dance.

Birmingham, Ala., June 14.—A tragedy occurred last night in a dance hall at Bessemer, twelve miles below here, between two girls, Lula Moore and Emma Wright, both under 20 years of age. The quarrel started over a man whom both girls claimed as sweetheart. The Wright girl harrassed Lilu Moore to a great extent and the latter became so enraged that she went to an acquaintance and borrowed a pistol. When the Wright girl continued her taunting Lula pulled the pistol and fired at Emma's heart, inflicting a wound which resulted in death this morning. Pandemonium reigned supreme after the shot was fired. Chief of Police Wallace arrested the Moore girl and she is in jail here charged with murder. She claims self defense.

The Lutheran Synod.

Mansfield, Ohio, June 14.—The reports of the statistical secretary to the Lutheran synod shows a gain of 39 churches in two years; 205 preaching stations present communicant membership 184,738, an increase of 11,300 over previous biennium. There are 1563 Sunday schools, an increase of 37, with 185,000 scholars and 28,000 teachers. The report of the board of church extension shows an increase in receipts of over 27 per cent. Quite a number of synods having exceeded appropriations, the board asked for an appropriation of $25,000 for the next two years.

Accidents on the Erie Road.

Muncie, Ind., June 14.—Two wrecks occurred on the Lake Erie road Sunday. A freight train was derailed and broken six miles east of this city. Lang Freeman, colored, of this city, was injured. This afternoon in the Lake Erie and Western yards in this city the west bound passenger train collided with a switch engine. Both engines were derailed, but no one was injured except a lady passenger, and she continued her journey. The switch engine was badly wrecked.

Illness of Mr. Byerley.

Urbana, June 14.—Mrs. A. C. Byerly, wife of A. C. Byerley, presiding elder of the M. E. church, Champaign district, who has been lying very low for the past six months, shows signs of improvement and friends entertain hopes of her ultimate recovery. A curious incident in relation to Mrs. Byerley's illness was the fracturing of a leg while turning on her bed, which prolonged her sufferings and added much to her already serious condition.

Sensational Report Denied.

Washington, June 14.—The Spanish minister has received an official communication stating that the report that the insurgent leaders, Riverra and Becalloa were in danger of being shot is false. Not a single insurgent leader is under death sentence.

As It is Viewed in Paris.

Paris, June 14.—The newspapers agree in saying that the alleged attempt to assassinate President Faure yesterday was either a practical joke or the act of a madman, and that the so-called outrage was arranged so as to hurt nobody.

National Convention.

Pittsburg, June 14.—The Junior Order of American Mechanics will open their national convention tomorrow. The uniformed rank had a meeting today. Hundreds of delegates are in the city. The convention will last a week.

—Mrs. Clarence Martin, nee Gertie Short will be here tomorrow to attend the wedding of her brother Will Short, and Miss Myers, which takes place on the evening of the 16th. Mr. Martin will be here later in the week.

A QUICK DEATH.

Howard Scott, the Wife Murderer, Executed at Sing Sing Prison.

HE WAS DEAD IN LESS THAN 2 MINUTES

Identity of the Woman Suicide—Pom's Former Minister of Justice Dead—Statue of Mrs. Siddons Unveiled.

Sing Sing, N. Y., June 14.—Howard A. Scott was electrocuted today and was declared dead in a minute and a half. He was convicted for murdering his wife in New York city last October. There was strong circumstantial evidence against him. The case was carried to the court of appeals which last week decided against Scott.

Suicide Identified.

New York, June 14.—The woman who committed suicide in the vestibule of Calvary Episcopal church Saturday is positively identified as Mrs. Josephine Durita, formerly a ladies' maid.

Statue Unveiled.

London, June 14.—Sir Henry Irving today unveiled the memorial statue to Sarah Scott Siddons, the famous actress, at Paddington Green, close to Paddington cemetery, where the remains were interred sixty-six years ago.

HOMEWARD BOUND.

President McKinley and Party Needed for Washington.

Asheville, N. C., June 14.—Soon after 2 o'clock this morning the presidential train resumed its homeward journey from Sherman's Hill, an elevated suburb of Chattanooga, where the cars were taken because the heat in the city is intense. As a result the party had a refreshing sleep. It was 5 o'clock this morning when the train reached Knoxville. A crowd had gathered, but the people got no view of the occupants. After breakfast the president came into the correspondent's car and reported both he and his wife thoroughly recuperated by the rest of Sunday. At Marshall, N. C., 22 miles out of Asheville, a short stop was made. Mr. McKinley shook hands with several hundred of the thousands who surrounded the train. In response to loud cries from the crowd of sturdy mountaineers Mr. Sherman appeared and shook hands with those he could reach.

FIVE NEGROES MURDERED.

A Drunken Negro Who Tried to Kill Every One He Met.

Meridan, Miss., June 14.—News reached here last night of the murder of five negroes in the extreme northwestern portion of Kemper county. A negro man named Sibley, while crazy drunk, secured a gun and started out to kill every person he met. The first he came across happened to be five negroes, three women and two children. The fiend shot them down and left them dead where they fell. He also shot at six other negroes, who narrowly escaped. As soon as the bloody work of Sibley was discovered the most intense excitement prevailed and a mob was organized to lynch the murderer. Sibley took to the woods, carrying his shot gun with him and at last accounts the mob had surrounded him and a bloody fight was imminent.

YELLOW FEVER AT NEW YORK.

One Death at Sandburn Island Hospital Saturday Night.

New York, June 14.—Saturday Otto Wernecson, one of the passengers of the steamer Advance was transferred to Sandburn Island hospital suffering from yellow fever. Wernecson was one of the survivors of the British ship Rosbigerst, which took fire and was abandoned in mid ocean while on the voyage from Newcastle N. S. W., for Panama. Wernecson was taken sick at sea two or three days before the steamer arrived at this port. He was removed with the rest of the second cabin passengers to Hoffman Island for observation. The patient showed no marked symptoms of the fever until Saturday. He grew rapidly worse and died at 8 o'clock. There are forty-eight passengers at Hoffman Island. They will be detained here the usual five days.

Cricket Match.

Cambridge, June 14.—The Philadelphia team began the cricket match here today with the eleven representing Cambridge university. The visitors won the toss and went to bat. They were retired for 134 runs.

Manuel Carvajal, Mexico and Europe, of Mexico City, sail from New York on a European tour. They will visit the principal cities.

MARKET REPORT.

BY B. E. TAYLOR.

Chicago, June 14.—Wheat opened this morning a little above where it left off Saturday noon and made a jump up in the air, starting at the opening and keeping up the advance all day, with occasional reactions toward the bottom. The trade was fair but not large, and the market was not active by any means. Cables were non committal. Liverpool was unchanged from Saturday's closing and London was steady and quiet. Consols were at 111⅝ for money and 112⅞ for account. The imports of wheat into the United Kingdom were 800,000 bushels, including 424,000 from Atlantic ports. The world's shipments were 8,080,000, while the wheat on passage—afloat—showed a decrease of 1,440,000, as expected. The advance was made on a number of factors. The intense heat continues in Roumania, while the damaging rains continue in India, and the official report from the latter country declares the crop to be 30 per cent below the average. Liverpool hayseed on the damage to the Danubian crop today, saying the drought if it was not appreciated, and placing the damage at 25 per cent. All of these things worked for higher prices, but the shorts were really the main reason for the advance. They got nervous about July on account of the small stock of wheat and were again inclined to cover, which, of course, brought an upturn with it. The dry, hot weather, too, is as much of a factor as was the wet, cold weather a week ago. Total clearances were 216,32 bushels of wheat and 188,890 barrels of flour, equalling together 298,000 bushels of wheat. The visible decreased 1,764,000, leaving the total 32,836,000; year ago decreased 981,000, leaving total 49,496,000. Minneapolis got 250 and Duluth 48, total of 298, against 399 (Minneapolis 212, Duluth 87) week ago, and 516 (Minneapolis 228, Duluth 288) year ago.

Corn opened about where it left off and was strong and rattled with wheat and on buying by shorts. Clearances were 131,000. Visible increased 2,621,000, year ago decreased 461,000; 1896 decreased 9,406,000; 1895 decreased 10,621,000.

Oats opened about Saturday's close. Visible increased 387,000; year ago increased 115,000; 1896, 1,430,000; 1895, 9,758,000. Contract in today's receipts: Wheat 1, corn 495, oats 55.

Provisions opened lower, and with fair trade made a grand spurt and got well up before the close. Few features.

Peoria.

Peoria, June 14.—Corn steady; No. 2, 24; oats quiet, steady; No. 3 19½ and 20⅛; rye dull, nominal.

Chicago.

Chicago, June 14.—Live poultry steady; turkeys 7 and 8; chickens 7 and 7½; springers 18 and 18; ducks 7 and 8. Butter steady; creameries 11 and 14½; dairies 9 and 12; eggs steady, 9¾.

Chicago, Ill., June 14.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
June	—	—	—	71½
July	69	70⅝	69	70⅝
Sept	64½	65⅝	64½	65⅝
Corn—				
June	—	—	—	24⅝
July	24⅝	25½	24⅝	25½
Sept	25⅝	26⅝	25⅝	26⅝
Oats—				
June	—	—	—	18
July	18	18½	18	18½
Sept	18½	18⅝	18½	18⅝
Pork—				
July	7.67½	7.80	7.65½	7.70
Lard—				
July	3.92½	3.95	3.92½	3.92½
Ribs—				
July	4.20	4.27½	4.20	4.25

July wheat: Puts, 69⅝; Calls, 70⅝. Corn, 24⅝.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—1, Estimated, 10. Year ago, 14.
Corn—207; Estimated, 610; a year ago, 486.
Oats—201; Estimated, 350; a year ago, 300.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 8; Corn, 210; Oats, 180.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 25,000; estimated 26,000. Market 5c lower.
Light, $3.70@3.85; Mixed, $3.50@3.80;
Heavy, $3.50@3.67½; Rough, $3.30@3.50.
Estimated for to-morrow, $3.60.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 20,000. Market weak and lower.

Sales of Real Estate.

Lillian Chew to Phoebe Lancaster, lot 7 of block 25 in Railroad addition to Mariona; $200.

James Buckley to Charles Buckley, 150 feet off the north end of lots 3 and 4, block 3, Ritchie's addition to Warrensburg—$600.

Ferdinand Gosiewski to the Wabash Railroad Company, lot 1, block 2, R. W. Hill's subdivision of lot 9 of the west half of the northwest quarter of 32, 16, 2 east, except a strip 12 feet wide off the north end of lot 1—$[illegible].

Edward W. Wood to W. A. Bradley, lot 3, block 7, Hyde's addition to Decatur—$[illegible].

W. A. Bradley to Edward W. Wood, lot 2 of subdivision of lots 3, block 7, Hyde's addition to Decatur—$[illegible].

[illegible]

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®.com

THE WIT OF THE HOUSE.

Title Bestowed on Hon. Champ Clark, of Missouri.

When He Addresses His Fellow Congressmen There Are No Vacant Chairs—His Humor Is Brilliant and Refined.

When Hon. Champ Clark, who represents the Ninth congressional district of Missouri, rises to address the house there is not only a quorum, but usually every seat is occupied.

The members ensconce themselves comfortably in their roomy chairs, a smile of complacency settles on their faces, all prepare to laugh, and they are not disappointed.

Mr. Clark is a Kentuckian by birth, but has resided many years in the state of his adoption. He is a magnificent specimen of manhood, being fully six feet tall, well proportioned, a decided blond, and clean shaven. His small, steely blue eyes generally have a droll, sleepy look, yet when he makes one of his witty sallies, they dance and laugh in sympathy with his words, although his countenance is immobile. This characteristic adds materially to the enjoyment of his hearers. His mouth is whimsical in the extreme, yet there is no weakness. It is a firm, determined mouth despite the whimsical expression.

It is impossible to convey in cold print an idea of his brilliant humor. His whole manner is breezy and in accord with every word uttered. He is a student of human nature, and often quotes the fun and pathos of negro sayings from whom he claims we can all learn much. He is a devoted lover of his adopted state and descants ably on its resources.

Mr. Clark first won national fame at the Tammany Hall celebration held in New York city July 4, 1893, on which occasion he was one of the speakers. He is a graduate of two colleges, an ex-president of another, and is in touch with the events of the day, hence his language is always good, his words

HON. CHAMP CLARK.
(Known as the "Wit of the House.")

well chosen and his wit, while caustic, never descends to the coarse or commonplace. His sarcasm is as pungent as paprico and exhilarating as old port.

At the time of his famous Tammany speech, Mr. Clark, although he had been heard several times in the house was comparatively new to congress. This splendid effort, however, elevated him at once to a conspicuous place among the most brilliant of his colleagues. The speech was interpolated with pithy anecdotes, eliciting round after round of applause. As an orator Mr. Clark is eloquent, logical, humorous, at times pathetic, and always magnetic. His drollery is irresistible, and many of his most telling illustrations are drawn from personal experiences. At the same time he will, in the "five-minute speeches" allotted to the members of the house, quote choice extracts from standard works of prose and verse, the classics and from the Bible.

An amusing incident occurred a few weeks ago. Mr. Clark was treating the house to a veritable oratorical feast, in the midst of which he complimented the chair on the quorum counting rule established by the present speaker during the Fifty-third congress, then also presiding, in these words: "That quorum counting will form the corner stone of the speaker's career." At this moment Mr. Clark's time expired, and the speaker's gavel fell at the phrase complimenting him. Mr. Reed was unable to contain himself, and the house shouted itself hoarse at the amusing coincidence.

Mr. Clark's life has always been a busy one and his occupations varied. Beginning his active career as a hired farmhand, he has successively been store porter, school teacher, editor of a country paper, prosecuting attorney of his own county, member of the state legislature, presidential elector, public lecturer, and now enjoys the highest honor his district can confer on him, the honor of representing its citizens in congress.

Mr. Clark's domestic affiliations are peculiarly happy, his wife being very proud of her distinguished husband, and their little son, Bennett, who inherits his father's drollery, and is almost as well known on the floor of the house as is his father.

Few men enjoy a greater popularity at home or in Washington than the "Wit of the House" — Hon. Champ Clark, of Missouri.

Chalk in Immense Blocks.

The bit of chalk in use in the schoolroom is a chip from an immense block that once filled an area the size of the continent of Europe and of which fragments remain, each hundreds of square miles in extent. These patches are scattered over a region lying between Ireland and China, Portugal and Sweden. A sheet of chalk more than 1,000 feet in thickness underlies a portion of England. It appears again in France and even in Asia. Chalk cliffs 200 feet thick are seen at Antrim, in Ireland. It is supposed that these isolated patches were once a continuous sheet about 300 miles long and 1,000 broad.

YOUNG MAN HONORED.

New Assistant Attorney-General Is Only Thirty-Six Years Old.

The appointment of Judge John G. Thompson, of Danville, Ill., as the assistant attorney-general was another score for Congressman Cannon, of Illinois.

Mr. Thompson is one of the prominent lawyers of central Illinois. Congressman Cannon presented his name to the president as a candidate for assitant attorney-general, and both the Illinois senators indorsed him.

Judge Thompson is only 36 years old, which is a youthful age for so very important a position. But if he lacks the years that ordinarily attach to such re-

JOHN G. THOMPSON.
(Just Appointed Assistant Attorney-General.)

sponsible positions he has all the gravity and sound, ripe learning of maturity.

He was born in Vermilion county, at the town of Rossville, and he is one of the thorough law scholars that are turned out by the University of Michigan. He went to Danville in 1882 and hung his shingle in the face of sharp competition, but he forged ahead and came to the front. In 1886 he was elected states attorney for Vermillion county, and two years later the people made him county judge. In 1894 he was reelected without opposition.

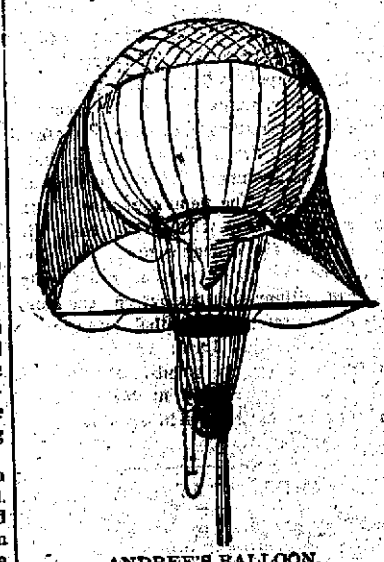
This spring the young jurist contested the circuit nomination with Judge Bookwalter, and, despite the fact that Judge Bookwalter had served most acceptably on the bench, he defeated Judge Thompson by only 30 votes at the primaries.

The new assistant attorney-general will bring to that office a ripe experience, built upon great natural ability. As a magistrate he has done excellent work. His decisions are fair and always command respect. Politically the judge has always been an unswerving republican. He has done some fine campaigning, and is one of the best organizers of political work in Illinois.

STARTS FOR THE POLE.

Andree, the Arctic Balloonist, Now on His Way to Spitzbergen.

Prof. Andree, the Arctic balloonist, has left Gothenburg for Spitzbergen, whence he will renew his attempt to reach the north pole, or rather to pass over it by balloon. Prof. Andree is accompanied by Messrs. Strindberg, Swendenberg and Twenket. They hope to be ready to start on their aerial voyage by June 20, five weeks later than last year. They take a number of carrier pigeons with them and firmly believe that this time they have every chance of success. Andree's expedition is most fascinating in its bare possibilities of success, and eclipses that of Nansen in its reckless daring. But it is not believed to be practicable. The pole will be reached some day overland—or rather by ice—but it will be by a steady,



ANDREE'S BALLOON.
(Soon It May Fly Over the North Pole.)

well-planned expedition that will go forward prepared to retrace its steps safely. A dash to or over the pole through the air sounds fine, but it is not practicable.

The fascination for polar exploration is marvelous. It is a challenge that nature throws down to man. "Win the pole," she says, "and great will be your prize." She has awarded prizes for these attempts and the nearer the explorer reaches the pole the greater the prize. Nansen's prize has been world-wide fame and an ample fortune. Should Andree succeed in reaching the pole and returning his name will never die and the world will be at his feet. Many men have considered it a prize well worth the attempt.

Private Roof Gardens.

Dealers in Chinese lanterns, awnings and other goods of that kind in New York city report that the craze for private roof gardens has created the greatest demand for their goods that they have ever known.

Alcoholic Insanity in France.

Alcohol insanity is twice as common in France now as 15 years ago, and the number of persons placed under restraint on account of it has increased 25 per cent. in the last three years.

TWO OF A KIND.

But the Dry Goods Salesman Objected to Fellowship with the Puller-in.

A smart-looking and well-dressed gentleman lounged in the elevator entrance of a Broadway wholesale dry goods warehouse. Apparently his sole occupation was watching the faces of passers-by. Now and then he would make a feint at starting for some passing figure, and then generally resumed his listless attitude against the door-jamb. At last he did make a frantic dive for a stout gentleman who was passing. Unfortunately a crowd of pedestrians obstructed his purpose, and before he could clutch the arm of the stout gentleman, who was a buyer for a well-known retail store, another smart-looking, well-dressed gentleman who had been lounging at the elevator entrance of another wholesale dry goods warehouse darted out, seized the stout gentleman by the hand and had him in the elevator in a moment.

That same afternoon the first mentioned of the two smart-looking, well-dressed gentlemen was walking from Worth street to the bridge on Park row and had nearly reached Baxter street when a tough young man seized him by the arm.

"Say, boss, can't I sell you a first-class spring overcoat? Our goods is de best on de row, an' we'll make de price to fit yer pocket. See? Come in an' let me—"

He tugged vigorously as he said this, and the gentleman was growing red in the face.

"Let go my coat, you blackguard, or I'll have you arrested," he shouted, struggling to shake off the other's clutch.

"Oh, no, you won't. We're in de same biz. See? Jes come in an' look over our goods. I'm sure we can suit yer."

With a violent wrench the gentleman shook himself free and turned indignantly on the puller-in:

"If I could see a police officer I'd have you arrested, you—" Then words failed.

"No, yer wouldn't. Yer not'n better 'n a puller-in yerself. I'se seen yer on Broadway layin' fur people an' yankin' 'em in jes' es we do. Yer jes' a puller-in, same as I am, but y' ain't got no pride nor sympaty in de biz. See?"

And the smart-looking, well-dressed gentleman hurried off without saying yes or nay or uttering a protest. The canker of comparison had entered his soul.—N. Y. Sun.

To climb that frightful mountain peak, the Matterhorn, a tourist has to hire a regular licensed guide who has spent a life-time in making ascents of this particular mountain. Without him, the authorities will not permit the ascent. It would be suicide. But when a woman who suffers from some disease or weakness of her sex risks her life by consulting an incompetent, uneducated person, there is no authority to prevent it except the authority of common sense.

The derangements to which women's delicate and intricate organism is subject can only be safely prescribed for by an educated, experienced physician. Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., has given a life-time to this study. No physician living has a wider practical experience or greater eminence as a specialist in women's diseases. His "Favorite Prescription" is the most perfect cure for these troubles ever invented. It is the only remedy which reaches and removes the internal source of the difficulty in the true, natural and scientific way.

Any woman consulting Dr. Pierce, either personally or by letter, will receive, free of charge, the professional advice of a skilled specialist. No mere nurse, however excellent she may be as a nurse, has the knowledge or skill to prescribe remedies for complicated diseases, and no sensible woman will risk her life with so unsafe a guide.

Women will find the most valuable knowledge about their own physical being in Dr. Pierce's 1,008-page free book, "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser." It will be sent, paper-bound, absolutely free, on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps, to pay the cost of mailing only. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. If a French cloth-bound, embossed binding is desired, send 10 cents extra (thirty-one cents in all), to pay the extra cost of this more handsome and substantial binding.

Executor's Notice for Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

Estate of Paul Smith, Deceased.

To Sarah E. Smith, Levi Smith and his heirs at law, Mary Davis, Alice Davis, Ida Smith, Laura Mohr, Minnie Neff, Eva Smith, Samuel C. Smith, Frank W. Smith, Loyd Smith, Israel Smith, Samuel E. Smith, Katharine Bates, Moses Smith, William A. Smith, Joseph C. Smith, John Smith, Edward H. Smith, Harry McKinniss, Anna Wallace, Legatees of said estate:

You are hereby notified that on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897, the executor of the last Will and Testament of said deceased, will present to the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings as such executor, and ask the court to be discharged from any and all further duties and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and resist such application, if you choose so to do.

June 4-d&w D. L. BUNN, Executor.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss In the Circuit
MACON COUNTY. } Court

Elijah S. McCarty et al., Complainant, vs. William Taylor et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 18886.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will

Tuesday, June 15, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot nine (9) and the west half of lot eight (8) in block six (6) in E. J. Gatling's addition to the City of Decatur; Lots twelve (12) and thirteen (13) in block twenty-three (23) in Carver's addition to the City of Decatur; the south fifty (50) feet of lot ten (10) in Sangamon addition to the City of Decatur, except the west sixty-five (65) feet thereof occupied by Sargent's Chapel, all in Macon county, Illinois. Also, lots one (1), four (4) and five (5) in block four (4) in Schwerer's addition to the City of Lincoln in the county of Montgomery, Illinois.

Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of May, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Oglesby & Edey, Com. Solicitor.
May 17-d&w

LADIES' LINEN COLLARS.

One lot of Ladies' Linen Collars, of the following brands: Evangeline, Modjeska and Empress, worth 12½c, closing out price, 5c each.

LADIES' LINEN CUFFS.

One lot of Ladies' Linen Cuffs, worth 25c, closing out price 10c pair.

One lot of Ladies' Colored Collars and Cuffs in sets of the following colors: Cardinal, Navy Blue and Linen Color, worth 50c, closing out price 25c per set.

LADIES' SILK TIES.

One lot of Ladies' Silk Club Ties, all new styles, Persian patterns, closing out price 5c each.

One lot of Club Bows, black and colors, worth 25c, closing out price 15c each.

LADIES' BELTS.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth 25c, closing out price 15c each.

One lot of Leather Belts, worth from 40c to 75c, closing out price 25c each.

One lot of Metal Belts, worth from 35c to 85c, closing out price 25c each.

CREAM COLORED LACES.

One lot of Cream Colored Laces, 2 to 4 inches wide, closing out price 5c yard.

SHIRT WAISTS.

12 dozen Ladies' Fine Madras Cloth Shirt Waists, with separate collars and cuffs, very choice patterns, sizes 32 to 40, made up by a special order house to sell at $2.25 each, our price $1.00 each.

SILK SASH RIBBONS.

1,000 yards of Fancy All Silk Sash Ribbons, in all the latest colorings and combinations, including Stripes, Plaids, Gauze and Dresden effects, all marked 25c yard.

SPECIAL RUG SALE.

This week we will offer Special Bargains in all kinds of Rugs.

Bradley Bros
Decatur, Ill.

WINDOW SCREENS.

It is time to put them in order now.

TELEPHONE US

To Do It For You.

C. L. GRISWOLD & CO.

Winter sports in summer are enjoyed when you visit SNARR and coolly proceed to refrigerate your larynx with some of his rich and delicious Ice Cream, Ices, and Ice Cream Soda Water in all flavors. Here is where you can wallow in December's snow while thinking of fantastic summer's heat. Bring your best girl along and the reaction of that cold on her chest will be a warm place in her heart.

Ice Cream delivered to any part of the city 80 cents per quart.

HARRY SNARR,
142 Merchant street. Tel. 320.

"Good Flour" Is Not Good Enough.

Pillsbury's Best

is what every housewife wants. Makes the most bread, the whitest bread, the best bread.

Get Pillsbury's Best. Ask and insist.

Bement has a company for the manufacture of anti puncture tires.

A new steel bridge, 60 feet long with stone abutments, is to be built six miles southeast of Rantoul at a cost of $1300.

The Big Bend reunion of old soldiers is this year to be held at Lacon.

WIEGAND'S
....SAMPLE ROOM...
227 North Main Street.
Fine Wines and Liquors.
FAUST
Beer on Draught and for Table Use.
Free Music all the time by the Graphophone. Come and hear it.

Attachment Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss
MACON COUNTY, }

In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Macon Canning Co. vs. S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter—Attachment No. 16,267.

Public notice is hereby given that it appears by an affidavit filed in said cause that the defendants S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter are not residents of this state, and they are hereby notified that the Macon Canning Co. above named has commenced suit in attachment against the said defendants for the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) and that the same is now pending before the Circuit Court of Macon county.

Now, unless the said defendants, S. M. Christenson and E. H. Porter, shall appear, give bail and plead within the time limited for their appearance in said cause, to-wit: Within ten days after the last publication of this notice being on the 26th day of June, 1897, judgment will be entered, and the estate of said defendants attached, will be sold and that the estate attached is twenty (20) shares of the stock of the Macon Canning company and the east half (½) of the northwest quarter (¼) and three and thirty-nine hundredths (3 39-100) acres off of the west side of the northeast quarter (¼) of Section Five (5), Town Sixteen (16) North, Range Three (3) East of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.

D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.

May 27-d&w

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Stella C. Kidder, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Stella C. Kidder, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 1st day of June, 1897.

CLARIE E. KNAPP,
Administratrix.

June 3-d&w

NewspaperARCHIVE.com

Evan-
5c each.

10c pair.
ollowing
osing out

patterns,
out price

each.
out price
price 25c

losing out

separate
up by a
h.

test color-
d Dresden

Rugs.

er now.

CO.

ttachment Notice.

OF ILLINOIS } ss
N COUNTY, }
Circuit Court to the June Term,
A. D. 1897.
uning Co. vs. S. M. Christenson and E.
er—Attachment No. 16,282.

notice is hereby given that it appears
davit filed in said cause that the defend-
. Christenson and E. H. Porter are not
of this state, and they are hereby
that the Macon Canning Co. above
as commenced suit in attachment
e said defendants for the sum of three
dollars ($308) and that the same is now
before the Circuit Court of Macon

unless the said defendants, S. M. Chris-
d E. H. Porter, shall appear, give bail
l within the time limited for their ap-
in said cause, to-wit: Within ten days
last publication of this notice being on
day of June, 1897, judgment will be
and the estate of said defendants
will be sold and that the estate at-
twenty (20) shares of the stock of the
anning company and the east half (½)
northwest quarter (¼) and three and
ne hundredths (3 03-100) acres off of the
s of the northeast quarter (¼) of Section
Town fourteen (14) North, Range Three
of the Third Principal Meridian, situated
unty of Macon and state of Illinois.
this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.
D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.

-daw

ministratrix' Notice.

tate of Sophia C. Kidder, Deceased.
undersigned having been appointed ad-
trix of the estate of Sophia C. Kidder, late
unty of Macon, and state of Illinois,
, hereby gives notice that she will ap-
ng at the regular term of the County Court
said county, on the first Monday in
next, being the 6th day of July, at which
persons having claims against said de-
are notified and requested to attend for the
of having the same adjusted. All per-
ed to said estate are requested to make
mediate payment, and those having claims
them to present them for adjustment.
this 2d day of June, A. D. 1897.
CHARLES E. SNAPP,
Administrator.

-d&w

Hot Weather Clothes.

Thin Serge Coat and Vest.

Thin Linen Crash Suit from..... $3.50 to $7.00

Men's Fine Wool Crash Suit, made up right at..... $10.

Men's Fine Grey and Blue Serge Suit at.. $8.50, $10, $12

Mens Light Scotch Suits from..... $5 to $15
Thousands to Select From.

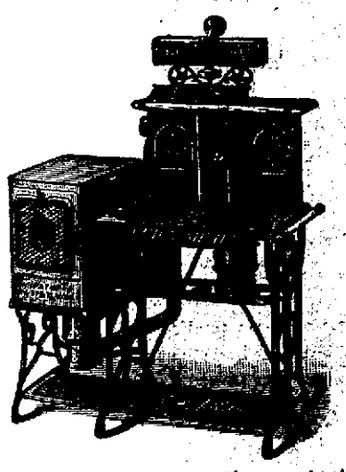
Boys' Department.

Elegant Large assortment of Suits for Boys, 3 years and up, from..... $1 to $5

...Ottenheimer & Co...

The Progressive Clothiers,
Hatters and Furnishers.

Telephone 182. MASONIC TEMPLE.



"Quick Meal."

Warm Weather will soon be here and you will want that new "Oil Stove."

What to Buy?
The Best, of Course.

Is there any question as to the Best when more than half of all the evaporating stoves sold in the United States during last season were "QUICK MEALS." They always give satisfaction. We are the agents for their full line. See them and you will have no other.

Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.
ONE BLOCK EAST OF MILLIKIN BANK.

Couldn't "See It."

A man died at the age of 79 years the other day. He was born in Kansas, raised in Kansas, married in Kansas, never left Kansas, and was buried in Kansas, and still he never saw a circus, never saw a nickel-in-the-slot machine and never saw a railroad or a train of cars. He wasn't blind, either, but he made up his mind that they couldn't be much, and he never knew what he missed. There are people in Decatur who fool themselves out of many a good thing simply because they WON'T see; mothers who buy thiegs for boys. They've HEARD about us, about our clothes, about our prices, but they've simply made up their minds that neither we, nor our clothes, nor our prices amount to much—and THEY DON'T SEE. We are selling Children's Wash Suits for 50c that many a store gets 75c for. We are selling Wash Knee Pants for 25c. You'll pay double if you don't get out of your old rut and see what's going on.

222 North Main Street, Between Prairie and William. **MAIENTHAL'S.**

HAVE YOU TRIED

CHASE & SANBORN'S COFFEES?

Sold Only at—

"The Economy,"
221 North Water Street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Council meeting this evening.

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

The supreme judges will hereafter receive $7000 a year instead of $5000.

First $3 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

Scores of men and boys patronized the natatorium Sunday and today.

Two dollars to Chicago and return on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20, via Illinois Central railroad.—8-td

William Brewer of Mason City, died at his home recently at the age of 42 years.

Edward Phipps was before Justice Hardy Saturday and was fined $3 and costs for disorderly conduct.

First of the season to Chicago only $3 round trip, via I. C. railroad, Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20.—8-td

J. W. Pearson, of Monticello, has been appointed a railway mail clerk under the civil service regulations.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

You will enjoy and praise the Reed & Sons piano. It is on sale only at the C. B. Prescott music house. Take a look at it.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. mch 25-dtf

Extremely low prices on buggies and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 188 East Wood street.—26-d&wtf

Mrs. N. T. Watson is now the owner of the Bee Hive store, corner North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. The purchase price was $1500. N. T. Watson will manage the store.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 223 N. Main st. Durfee & Culp. May 25-dtf

Be sure and attend the grand gold medal contest at the First Methodist church Friday evening, June 18th, admission 15 cents. Reserved seats 25 cents, children 10 cents.

The Danville club has accepted the challenge of the Decatur wheelmen and now two teams will be picked out and put in training for the competitive meet in Danville on July 3.

First of the season. $3 excursion to Chicago via Illinois Central on Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20. Tickets good going on 7:10 a. m. and 11:53 a. m. trains of Saturday and Diamond Special of Sunday morning. Tickets limited to return on June 20—8-dtd.

Jack Edwards, the boy who had his foot cut off while working at the Cereal mill company, is able to be out. He can now walk on crutches and is rapidly recovering from his injury.

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dying and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

James and Fred Loeb, two boys, were arrested Saturday morning and taken before Justice Hardy for stealing a pair of shoes from a man who was swimming in the river and had left his clothes on the bank. The boys were required to give bond of $25 each.

90 Days Only.

The entire stock of clothing, hats, caps, gents' furnishing goods, trunks and valises purchased of V. Barber at the George W. Jones' clothing house, No. 159 East Main street, go for cash in June, July and August. If you really want a bargain, come. Messrs. Jones and Hall, our assistant salesmen, will continue to wait on customers. Montray & Co., 159 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.—5-d&wtf

Cigars. Cigars.

Havanettes	100 for $1.75
Little Diana	100 for $1.50
	5 for .10

Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

Hinkle's Best

FLOUR.

Is the finest flour sold in the City of Decatur. It has no equal for making good bread. If you want the Best Flour made use HINKLE'S BEST. If you can't get it call up

—PHONE 550.—

☞The following merchants sell it:

Heilman & Son.	May Bros.
Drabisch Bros.	Robt. McClane.
Keys Bros.	William Niedermeyer.
Henry Lyon.	H. Meyer.
J. H. Beatty.	McMahan & Fullen.
C. O. Rudolff.	Schile & Oehler.
Shaffer Bros.	I. N. Cool.
J. E. Wheeler.	Weckerman & Knapp.
W. E. Howard.	D. Armbruster.
Chas. Mathesey.	E. W. Davis.
S. P. McAllister.	Bee Hive.
J. E. Robinson.	T. T. Springer.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

Special Exercises Held in the Protestant Churches on Sunday.

YOUNG PEOPLE CONDUCTED SERVICES

June Flowers, Good Music, Bright Recitations and Interesting Addresses —What the Day Means in the Denominations.

Children's day exercises were held at many of the churches of the city Sunday. The day was given up entirely to the children and exercises were held in which they took part. In the Methodist churches it was the 25th anniversary of the day in that church. The idea of Children's Day with that denomination is educational. The second Sunday in June is always observed in all parts of the country. All of the collections taken up at that time go to a general fund. Any young man or woman who is recommended by the quarterly conference can borrow money from the fund to attend the colleges and receive a higher education. In this way poor but worthy young people are enabled to get an education. The children are enlisted in the cause so that they may be inspired in the idea of education and that they may learn to aid others. In the Baptist church the collections are given to the Baptist publication society. Other churches have other purposes and in some denominations that day has no special significance further than being a rally day for the young people of the church.

At the First Methodist church the exercises were held in place of the morning service and were largely attended by both children and grown persons. Besides songs and recitations by the little ones there was a piano and organ duet by Miss Nicholls and Milton Lutz and music by a ladies' quartette. Mr. Howe made a short address in which he explained the purpose of the day.

At the First Presbyterian church the celebration was held last night. A program by the children was carried out. The most interesting part of the service was the graduation of two classes from the intermediate to the senior grades. Regular graduation exercises were held and each pupil was presented with a diploma

The services at Grace Methodist church Sunday were of more than ordinary interest. At the morning hour Dr. Gillmore preached a sermon appropriate for Children's Day. In the afternoon the Sunday school rendered a good program and a collection was taken to assist young men who are studying for the ministry. The collection on Children's Day goes into the educational fund of the church at large.

At the night service Pastor Gillmore discoursed eloquently and intelligently on the hidden power in the matter of mind and soul.

Arrangements are being made to organize a chorus choir at Grace Methodist Episcopal church. An extensive platform will be built to accommodate from 40 to 60 voices.

The prospect is that the new singers will take their places at an early date. The present choir will also be among the singers.

At the Westminster chapel exercises were held yesterday afternoon. The children gave a program of songs and music under the direction of Superintendent P. P. Laughlin.

At the East Park chapel the children under the leadership of J. Edward Saxton, the superintendent, held services which were largely attended by the people of the neighborhood. Besides music by the children an address was given by Rev. D. R. MacGregor.

At the Church of God the Children's Day services were held at 10:30 o'clock in the morning in place of the regular services.

The members of the Sunday school of the German Methodist church held exercises at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. There was a large attendance and an interesting program was given.

Services were held for the children at the Edward street Christian church at 7:30 o'clock in place of the regular evening service.

Bloomington Claims the Victory.

Bloomington Bulletin: "Messrs. Guy Haley, Chas. Burr, Oscar Seibel, J. T. Henderson, Ed Donnelly and Robert Otto, who went to Spring Lake a few days ago to play whist with several Decaturites, returned home yesterday bearing the flush of victory on their smiling countenances. As the record of the contesting sides was about even considerable interest was manifested in the outcome of the playing. The playing lasted three days and resulted in eight Mitchell points and nineteen tricks for the Keystones. The games were not continuous, but gave the players abundance of time to fish, lie on the grass and enjoy fragrant havanas. The trip was a most enjoyable one and the men report a fine time an splendid entertainment. The Keystone teams were as follows: Haley and Burr, Seibel and Henderson, Donnelly and Otto. The Decatur teams were Powers and Potter, Bothell and Campbell, Pratt and Davis."

As a matter of fact it should be stated that the two clubs played five games, Decatur winning three. The Decatur players feel pretty good over the contest. They regret that there is any doubt as to the outcome.

CITY AFFAIRS.

Arrangement for an Appropriation of $116,895 Made by the Finance Committee.

Saturday evening the city council finance committee held a conference meeting at the office of Comptroller Robbins and agreed upon the presentation of the following appropriations to be presented to the council tonight for adoption. The items for 1896 and those arranged for this year are given so that comparisons can be made:

Fund.	1897.	1896.
Public Improvements	$12,000	$11,000
Waterworks	16,000	16,000
Fire Department	19,000	22,000
Police Department	15,000	16,000
Salaries City Officers	10,000	11,700
Light and Gas	4,000	4,200
Streets and Alleys	1,500	1,800
Cleaning streets	4,000	2,000
Repairing paved streets	5,000	4,000
Interest on Bonds	4,300	5,500
Time Warrants	6,982	5,000
Sinking Fund	4,743	6,262
Walks and Crossings	2,150	3,000
Cleaning sidewalks and cross'gs	1,000	1,000
Public Library	3,000	4,000
Contingent	1,500	1,000
Public Parks	2,500	3,500
Health	1,000	1,000
Law Department	1,000	500
Rent	1,500	1,200
Totals	$116,895	$121,005

The saving is thus seen to be almost $15,000.

It has been decided not to expend any money this year for laying water pipes, and $10,000 is saved in that item alone. This year the two mill tax for the library, which will amount to $3000 will be collected and the appropriation of $3000 will make a total sum about $6000.

An Extra Item.

The committee decided to recommend a provisional appropriation of $30,000 "for other public improvements" in case they may be decided upon. This was done because the city can spend only what money it appropriates in this ordinance. It has but this one chance.

The committee was of the opinion that it would be necessary to issue bonds to make more public improvements than the amount available for that purpose—$12,000—would allow. If there should be improvements that the council considers absolutely necessary and it is desired to make a good many this year, the council could, if the money is appropriated now in the ordinance, borrow as much as $30,000 on 20-year 4 per cent bonds. It was decided to appropriate that much provisionally. Then later, if the money is needed for improvements, it will be borrowed and can be used for public improvements, but nothing else.

Even after all the $30,000 is borrowed the city will only be $110,000 in debt. The doubt now is $80,000.

A few years ago the city was more deeply in debt than it will be after this bond issue.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION.

Opened This Afternoon at Grace Methodist Church in This City—Will Last Till To-Morrow Night.

The annual convention of the Epworth League of Decatur district opened this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Grace Methodist church. Reports were given and other business transacted and an address on the subject "The Needs of the Home" was given by the conference president, Rev. M. G. Coleman, of Beardstown. This evening Rev. J. W. Van Cleave, of Mt. Vernon, will give a lecture. There will be sessions tomorrow morning and afternoon and in the evening the convention will close.

Farmer Took No Chances.

Rev. J. H. Waterbury, of Cerro Gordo, a Baptist minister, was mistaken for a highwayman over at Springfield. He sought to ask directions to a certain place and stepped out into the street to stop a man approaching in a carriage. The Journal states that the driver of the carriage happened to be a farmer, and he had read of hold-ups, highwaymen, etc., until his mind was full of them. He saw the minister standing in the road and waving his hand. The first thought that entered the mind of the farmer was "it's a robber." "You can't hold me up," were the words of the excited driver. He gave the horse a cut with the whip, and the animal went forward with a bound. The minister did not have time to get out of the way, and the horse and wagon passed over him before he knew what was transpiring. He was rolled in the dust and dirt and the last that was seen of the farmer he was driving away at a breakneck speed.

Birthday Party.

At noon Saturday, June 12, when G. F. Newsham arrived at his home, No. 1037 West Wood street, he found the house full of relatives who had gathered to give the young man a surprise on the 21st anniversary of his birthday. It was entirely successful. A sumptuous dinner was served and a merry time was had. A number of useful gifts were presented the young man. Among those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Newsham, Mr. and Mrs. J. Newsham and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Newsham and families and Mrs. C. A. Rodney and son, Axel.

Mat Jones, a special [illegible], is again in jail. She got out thinking on condition that she would go to Peoria and stay there. She failed to keep her word, and coming back, she became a nuisance and fell into the clutches of an officer.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Exercises Held Yesterday in Honor of the Deceased Woodmen of the City.

SERVICES IN THE K. OF P. HALL

Addresses by Rev. M. B. Spayd J. A. Dawson and W. H. Block—Members Marched to Greenwood and Decorated the Graves.

Sunday afternoon the Modern Woodmen of the city held services in memory of the dead members of the order. Exercises were held at the K. of P. hall in the Powers block and then the members marched to the cemetery where the graves were decorated. The Woodmen from Easterly Camp No. 1636 and Decatur Camp No. 144 both took part. It was the first time that such services have been held by both camps combined. The day was observed by the members of the order in all parts of the country as memorial day.

The exercises began at 2:30 o'clock and were quite largely attended. The officers in charge were as follows:

Chairman—L. H. Martin.
Master of Ceremonies—O. W. Smith.
Captain—Bud Florey.
Lieutenant Camp No 144—Albert Leach.
Lieutenant Camp No. 1636—H. W. Richards.

The program as given was as follows:

Vocal Music Quartette—Messrs. Chilson McClelland, Patin and Gher.
Prayer.
Vocal Music—Quartette.
Address—Rev. M. B. Spayd.
Memorial Offering—J. A. Dawson, 144.
Memorial Offering—W. H. Block, 1636.
Song—Quartette.
Form Parade.
Deposit Emblem—Dirge Quartette.
Doxology.

The quartette was composed of Messrs. Chilson, McClelland, Patin and Gher. The committee having in charge the arrangements of the services was composed of the following persons: Albert Leach, chairman; O. W Smith, secretary; and Bud Florey, H. W. Richards, Daniel Reame, Dr. J. L. Bevans, L. H. Martin and Sammuel Funk. The services were quite interesting to the Woodmen and others who were in attendance.

At the conclusion of the exercises the Woodmen marched to Greenwood cemetery and there the graves of all deceased Woodmen were honored by the decorations of flowers. The members who acted as flower bearers from Camp 144 were L. H. Martin, Henry Wise, James Kewn, S. D. Sheppard and G. B. Ashton. Those from Camp 1636 were W. B. Prescott, William McCalin, Joseph Martin, J. F. Richards, Jr. and G. L. Seigman.

At the cemetery an address was made by Rev. E. B. Cake and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Spayd.

The deceased members of the two camps in Greenwood are, No. 144: E. W. Chandler, H. H. Boyston, Theo. K. Bobb, Steve Hubert, Phil Tayler, John McGowan, W. A. Combs, G. W. Knotts, Emil F. Young, A. Olson, S. I. Burg, Samuel Ackerman. No. 1636: John Ray, M. Knoblock, Edward P. Hide, W. B. Burris, James Miliand, William Wix, C. E. Curran. Others are buried in other cemeteries.

Will Take a Vacation.

Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor of the First Methodist church, will leave the last of this week to take a vacation of about six weeks. Mr. Howe expects to spend part of the time at Trinidad Springs, Indiana, and will attend the exposition at Nashville, Tenn. He will also visit other places at different parts of the country. During Mr. Howe's absence Rev. S. C. Pierce, of Chicago, will take full charge of the church.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J Mosser & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jan2-26dwtf

Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulteration.

40 Years the Standard.

Daily Republican

S. K. HAMSHER | W. F. CALHOUN.

HAMSHER & CALHOUN, Prop'rs.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Entered at Decatur as second class mail matter

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

By mail, postage paid, one year.....$5.00
Delivered by carrier to any part of city
Per week, 10 cents; Yearly, in advance..$5.0
Postal card requests, or orders through telephone No. 6, will secure early attention of carriers in any district.
Address THE EVENING REPUBLICAN, 135 South Water street, Decatur, Illinois.

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 14.—Generally fair and warm tonight and Tuesday; light to fresh variable winds.

The comparatively slow progress which the Republicans have made in the senate in the consideration of the tariff bill is explained in a recent statement of the Washington Post, which says that the membership of the senate is now divided politically as follows: Republicans 43, Democrats 34, Populists 7, silver Republicans 5, vacancy (Oregon) 1—total 90; necessary for a majority 45. Since the Republicans have but 43 votes and the number necessary for a majority is 45, it is quite apparent that they do not control the senate, and that if they are successful in passing their tariff bill through that body even with comparatively slow work, they will be entitled to great credit.

President McKinly's ambition to attach his signature to the new tariff bill by the Fourth of July seems likely to be realized. The senate is making remarkable progress with that measure and old officials predict that the bill will now pass that body by about June 20, and that the conference will be a brief one, thus hastening its final completion. The progress made in the senate in the consideration of this bill is phenomenal and is due to the fact that the protective sentiment in all the parties in that body is gaining strength every year and that the people are bringing strong pressure to bear in behalf of the early enactment of a protective tariff measure.

The theorists who insisted during the last fall's discussion of the free silver question that the adoption of the silver standard would prove advantageous to our foreign commerce will probably be surprised to find that it is this very subject which led both Japan and Peru to adopt the gold standard. Statements by the officials of these two nations show in each case that they found that their foreign commerce was suffering by reason of the fluctuations in the value of their currency since foreigners in accepting their coin simply classed it as bullion, while they forced it upon the citizens of those countries at its face value in payment of their exports. This testimony as to the real effect of a silver standard on foreign commerce, coming simultaneously, as it does, from two nations widely separated, is extremely valuable, and must show to those who were inclined to accept the foreign-commerce theory of the silver proposition last fall that it was an erroneous one.

Democratic leaders who have borne the heat and burden of the day during many years and many campaigns must experience a strange sensation on finding themselves read out of the party by new-comers in that organization. William Jennings Bryan, who voted for the Populist candidate for President in 1892, and who was nominated on an anarchistic platform in 1896, calmly announced through his representatives in the various States that only men who supported him and his platform last year can be admitted to participation in Democratic conventions or primaries in any state in the campaign of 1897. The following extract from the call for the Ohio Democratic convention is a sample of the way Mr. Bryan and those who do his bidding lay down the law. That call announces that "the following persons and none other" are eligible to participate in the state convention. "First, all persons who voted for William J. Bryan for president at the November election of 1896; second, all other persons who are in accord with the position of the Democratic party as set forth in the Chicago platform adopted in Chicago July 9, 1896."

The Wilson law having proven an absolute failure in every branch of the service which it was intended to fulfil, the apologists are now seeking refuge in a statement that it has at least increased our markets abroad for manufactured goods. It is true that our sales for manufactured goods abroad foot up a larger total now than they did before that law went into effect, but it is also true that this total measured in dollars is due to a great extent to an increased price obtained for articles sold rather than an increase in the quantity for which a market was found. Illuminating oils which brought twenty odd million dollars of money to American markets in 1892 more than in 1894, did so solely because of the increased price of oil, the number of gallons exported in 1894 being actually less than in 1892. The same is true in many other instances. The other factor of the increase in exportations is due to the fact that American markets were filled with foreign manufactures and that our own markets found it necessary to dump such a market abroad at any price, or close their establishments. In many cases they were obliged to sell at a loss in order to dispose of the stocks on hand for which they found no home market.

Pres. McKinley at Philadelphia, June 2, 1897.

"Let me tell you, my countrymen, that reconciliation will not be promoted by recrimination. The distress of the present will not be relieved by a distrust of the future. A patriot makes a better citizen than a pessimist. And we have got to be patient. Much as we want to move out of the old house, we can not do it until the new house is finished. A tariff law half made is of no practical use except to indicate that in a little while a whole tariff law will be done, and it is making progress. It is reaching the end, and when the end comes we will have business confidence and activity. Let us keep steady heads and steady hearts. The country is not going backward, but forward. American energy has not been destroyed by the storms of the past. It will yet triumph through wise and beneficient legislation."

Land Leeches of Ceylon.

The land leeches of Ceylon are singular creatures. They have the power of planting one extremity on the earth and raising the other perpendicularly to watch for their victims. Such is their vigilance and instinct that on the approach of a passer-by to the spot which they infest they may be seen among the fallen leaves and grass on the edge of a native path, poised erect and preparing for their attack on man or horse. On descying their prey they advance rapidly by semi-circular strides, fixing one end firmly and arching the other forward, till by successive advances they can lay hold of the traveler's foot, when they disengage themselves from the ground and ascend his dress in search of an aperture by which to enter. In these encounters the individuals in the rear of a party of travelers in the jungle invariably fare worse, as the leeches, once warned of their approach, congregate with singular celerity.—Chicago News.

In the Dime Museum.

Borneo Chief—Say, fellers, the baldheaded bearded lady lays over us all—she's a freak.

Circassian Snake Charmer—Freak nothin'! Jist accidental; got her face lotion mixed up with her hair restorer, and the result was mortal.—Philadelphia Press.

A Believer in the Fitness of Things.

Teacher—Spell kitten.

Bobby—Pooh, I'm too big to spell kitten. Try me on cat.—N. Y. Truth.

The Popular Implement.

Maud has paper-knives in numbers,
Bronze and silver, old and new;
But whene'er she cuts a novel
She just makes a hair-pin do.
—Chicago Record.

Qualified.

She—Do you think Van Aukem can get into the "smart set?"

He—I don't see why he shouldn't; he's not very smart, you know.—Harlem Life.

Unkind.

He—There is only one time a woman doesn't exaggerate.

She—When is that?

"When she speaks of her age."—N. Y. Times.

Not Well Said.

"I did not see you in church last Sunday, Mr. Spiffles," said the dominie.

"No; I slept at home last Sunday morning," replied Mr. Spiffles.—Harlem Life.

Missed Again.

"How do you stand on this irrepressible financial question, Chumpley?"

"Sorry, old man, but I can't spare you a cent to-day."—Detroit Free Press.

The Real Truth.

Though man may boast with lofty frowns,
His wife's old-fashioned state,
He likes to see her hats and gowns
Made strictly up to date.
—Chicago Record.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by all Druggists. 75c.

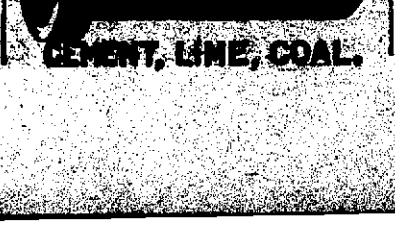
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Sarah C. Bowman of Easton died last Saturday after a year's illness.

FINEST TRAIN IN THE WORLD

To St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The Burlington Route Limited Express train which leaves Chicago daily at 6.00 p. m. for St. Paul and Minneapolis is without question the most beautiful, luxurious train ever seen. It consists of Pullman Compartment and Standard Sleeping Cars, Pullman Buffet Smoking Car, Burlington Route Dining Car a la carte, Reclining Chair Cars and Coach, all lighted by electricity and heated by steam. June 10-d2w



CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

—Dr. Emma Wakefield is the first negress to be licensed to practice medicine in Louisiana.

—The largest library in the world is the National library of France, founded by Louis XIV., and which contains 1,400,000 books, 300,000 pamphlets, 175,000 manuscripts, 300,000 maps and charts, 150,000 coins and gold medals, 1,300,000 engravings and 100,000 portraits.

—French universities were partly decentralized and made more independent of the state last summer. One immediate result has been that donations and bequests by private individuals have begun to flow in. Gifts have already been made to the universities at Laon, Bordeaux, Nancy, Montpelier and Paris. Nancy has received 100,000 francs for research in physics and chemistry.

—Edward Everett Hale reached the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth on April 3, and the celebration of that event, under the auspices of the Lend-a-Hand society, was a memorable one in New England. Dr. Hale, as Ian Maclaren said of him on returning to England, is the last survivor of the big American literary men of his earlier days, and few literary men have lived so large a life of usefulness.

—Italy has started a new idea in university education. A body of 350 students, from all the faculties and representing every Italian university, with many professors, spent the Easter vacation in visiting the chief German universities, including Berlin, Leipzig, Heidelberg and Munich, as well as Zurich, in Switzerland. In later years it is proposed to visit England and the United States. The excursions are gotten up by the University Association of Pavia.

VENTURES IN REAL ESTATE.

One Way of Buying Houses and the Risks That Purchaser Has to Meet.

"This comes in handy," said the mechanic, as he pocketed the $18 due him.

"In need of money?" asked his employer.

"Well, I've been buying another house."

"Another house?"

"Yes; it's the second I've bought. Of course $18 don't go very far toward paying for a house, even the style I buy; but seeing the money is like making a good start toward paying for it."

"Belong to a building loan association?"

"No; I'm doing this on my own account. You see, a few years ago I had a little money put by, and I paid it down for my first house. It was a two-story house built for two families, and the reason I bought it was that I found a friend who was willing to take the second floor. He paid me $12 a month rent, and I paid out less than $20 a month, and in six or seven years I had paid for the house in full. Now I've got a couple of other good tenants, so I've bought another house like it and they're going to pay for it for me."

"Easy way to get rich, that," said the employer.

"Yes," replied the mechanic, with a grin. "But there is considerable risk about it, too. The whole secret lies in knowing how to get good tenants. After you've bought the house and have made some payments on it you're liable to get the cold shivers any time. Suppose your tenant should suddenly learn as much as you know? Why, he'd go right off and buy a house of his own and get somebody to help him pay for his house, instead of continuing to help you pay for yours. If you lose your tenant, there's all that money extra for you to pay. I've known more than one poor fellow who has lost every cent he's saved just by going into a speculation of this kind. That's why I felt good when I got my money. On the other hand, there are lots of men like myself who have accumulated quite a handsome little property in this way. Some of them are policemen, and they are in a specially good position to do it, because they have steady employment and good pay."

Houses of this character have been a favorite venture of operators in low-priced real estate about New York in recent times. It is estimated that along the lines of our street railway system more than 1,000 of such houses have been built within the last two years, and whole blocks have been erected here and there in other sections. Some solid blocks may be found now standing on ground where crops of potatoes were dug a couple of years ago. The cheaper of these houses are of frame construction, but there are others of a more elaborate construction, with fronts of brown stone and other decorative effects. They are superior to flats or tenements, while not costing much more, and each improvement in rapid transit makes them more accessible.—N. Y. Sun.

Would Have Been Unfortunate.

She was somewhat of a student of history, but she also had the reverence of a fashionable woman for a title.

"Did you know that we once came very near getting a monarchy saddled on this country with all the attendant nobles and titles and court etiquette?" she asked one day; and her brother looked at her in a quizzical way and replied:

"Fortunate we escaped it, isn't it? Some people would have had no possible excuse for going abroad then, would they?"—Chicago Post.

Lost His Independence.

They had met after some years.

"How's Brown?"

"Pegging along the same old way."

"He isn't his own boss yet, then."

"Well, I should say not. Why, man, he's married."—Chicago Post.

Congenial.

"The Bizzlers seem to be a very happy couple."

"Yes; he stutters and she is deaf!"—Chicago Record.

Not Exactly an Objection.

He had some doubts as to his standing with the old man.

"Does your father object to my calling?" he asked.

"Well, not exactly," she answered.

He had still further doubts about the subject, but he resolved to know the worst.

"What do you mean by 'not exactly'?" he demanded.

"Well, he says he supposes he ought to be able to stand it if I can," she replied.

He no longer had any doubts, but he didn't feel particularly good about it just the same.—Chicago Post.

His Only Objection.

"I love to hear you talk, my dear," said Mr. Bickers to his wife, when she paused to take breath at the end of the second column of a curtain lecture, "but your volubility is really a reflection on my wisdom."

"How so?"

"Because a word to the wise is sufficient."—Demorest's Magazine.

A Solemn Oath.

Amelia—Swear not by the moon, the inconsistent moon.

Augustus—Then what shall I swear by?

Amelia—Swear by that which you hold invaluable; something that you cannot live without.

Augustus—Then, Amelia, I love you! I swear it by my bicycle.—Tit-Bits.

A Vindication.

"I don't understand why you dislike Herbert so," said Mabel to her father.

"I don't think he has any idea of finance."

"I am sure you wrong him. He is devoted to it. He stopped right in the middle of his proposal to me to ask how your business was getting along."—Washington Star.

Had Tried Politics.

Great Statesman (to married daughter)—My dear, your husband will never amount to anything if you don't spur him on. Why don't you persuade him to go into politics?

Daughter—But, pa, he has tried, and he can't stand it. The whisky makes him sick.—N. Y. Weekly.

Supply and Demand.

Hostess—What has become of Sandy Smith, who stood so high in your class?

Alumnus—Oh, he's taken orders.

Hostess—He's in the ministry, then?

Alumnus—No; in a restaurant.—Harlem Life.

Emmi.

"We have found out why Nora breaks so much china."

"Why is it?"

"She says she gets so dead tired washing the same old dishes over and over and over."—Detroit Free Press.

Discourteous.

Host—A little more champagne, Miss Elderly?

Miss Elderly—Oh, well, just a mouthful, please.

Host (to waiter)—John, fill Miss Elderly's glass.—Spare Moments.

A Wise Precaution.

Start—Never kick a man when he's down.

Dart—And if you kick him when he's down, better see to it that you kick him hard enough to keep him from getting up again.—N. Y. Truth.

A Sardonic Suggestion.

"I'm sure," said the girl who is engaged, "that Herbert is a prize."

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne; "but in a case of this kind it's so difficult to tell whether you've won a first prize or a booby prize."—Washington Star.

Her Oasis.

As round her graceful girdle he
One arm with pressure placed,
She, sighing, said: "Life, after all,
Is not a desert waist."
—Richmond Dispatch.

WELL WIPED.

Yorke—The streets are kept cleaner than formerly.

Wheeler—Yes; there are more people learning to ride bicycles.—Up-to-Date.

HONEST INDIAN!

If you want decided and unapproachable bargains in Dry Goods and Millinery visit our store. Notice the following:

Scotch Lawns, new, choice patterns, at 3½c, worth 5c. Gilbert Manf. Co.'s Dimities and Organdies, worth 15c, 20c, 25c and 30c, at 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c. The best values shown. Wide, stylish, standard Prints, fine cloth and choice styles, fast colors, 3½c, and the best Calicoes made at 5c, worth 6¼c. 144 assorted Shirt Waists, best styles, worth up to $1.50, your choice for this sale, 50c. We are the only parties that have the Clay Worsted Black Underskirts for ladies, wide, medium and narrow flounce, the best in the world, handsome as silk and will wear three times as long; prices $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.

We handle only meritorious goods in all departments. Everything in Millinery at closing prices; all new and up to date. New Sailors and Walkers at reduced prices.

—yours—

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,

141 EAST MAIN ST.

LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Dainty Dress Materials.

For just such weather as we are having now. Without any aid from the weather we have been pushing things in the department of Summer Washables. The Price Pressure has been so strongly applied that those who saw the goods were ready purchasers. With the aid of this weather it is hard to say just what we will accomplish. It needs no further argument than a few items to prove that we lead the low price procession.

Summer Organdies, especially adapted to shirt waist manufacture, over a half hundred different styles, at.....12½c yd

Plain Linen Batiste, clear and cool, looks like gauze, the real Rhen, at .....[illegible] yd

Handsome Printed Dimities. About 16 pieces in this line. These are imported and you know what they are worth. Here, this week.....10c yd.

A French Organdy Dress for extremely hot days will prove very comfortable. We have about 15 pieces in stock that will be closed out at.....32½c yd

Homespun Linen, for separate skirts, perfectly fast color and very cool. These are Genuine Imported Homespuns but we sell them at.....35c yd

Domestic Homespun Skirting in assorted styles at .....15c yd

50 pieces of Fine White Dress Goods, all put in one great lot and marked to close.....7½c yd

LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Laundered Shirt Waists.

As a distributing place for satisfactory and serviceable Shirt Waists this store stands without an equal. Hundreds of different patterns, scores of different makes, dozens of different prices—and yet only one kind—the superlatively BEST. Of course we have a leader—we're selling it at.....$1.00

We don't claim that it is worth twice what we ask for it, but this we do claim—that compared with other waists that we have seen at this price, it is out of its class. We have seven different lines of these waists with attached and detached collars. Most of them have white collars. Linens, Organdies, Percales and the New Red Dimities, for.....$1.00

We still have 123 Ladies' Laundered Shirt Waists at 49c. Some of them were carried over from last season and then they were considered cheap at $1.50 and $1.75. Percales, Dimities and Satistes, only.....49c

LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Skirts Wrappers **For Summer.** Tea Gowns Dressing Sacques.

Nowhere else is it possible to procure so much comfort-giving clothing for such a small expenditure of money.

75 Ladies' Linen Skirts, 4½ yard sweep, full back and perfect fitting, the $1.75 kind, at .....98c each

50 Ladies' Pique Duck Skirts, black, navy and white, extra full sweep and deep hem, cut after the very latest Parisian patterns, the $1.49 kind, this week.....75c each

25 dozen Ladies' Lawn, Dimity and Organdy Wrappers, beautifully trimmed with lace, good value at $3.99, this week.....$2.49

25 Ladies' Silk Tea Gowns, trimmed with lace, yoke front and back. The new Jubilee Gown. Black, navy, light blue, red, heliotrope, pink and nile green. Usual value $12.50, this week.....$8.75

LINN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

More Evidence *of the Big Store's desire to please its patrons.*

We beg to announce that Mrs. Whipple, of Chicago, an expert instructor in Art Needle Work, a direct representative of the Brainerd & Armstrong Co., will be at this store from Monday, June 14th, to Saturday, June 19th, inclusive.

Mrs. Whipple visits only the larger stores and this is an opportunity seldom afforded the ladies of a city the size of Decatur.

During this week we will give **Free Lessons Every Day** Morning and Afternoon.

The Newest and Latest!

—Our new stock of—

Leather Belts and Shirt Waist Sets.

New, Stylish and Low Priced. See them.

W. R. Abbott & Co.,

JEWELERS.

UGGS

PET Co.

ls.

g now. Without
en pushing things
bles. The Price
that those who
With the aid of
t we will accomp-
an a few items to
ession.

especially adapted to
ecure, over a half hun-
es, at.....12½c yd
dress and cool looks
l when, at .....25c yd
Dimities. About 16
These are imported
what they are worth.
.....19c yd.
Dress for extremely hot
very comfortable. We
oes in stock that will be
.....32½c yd
or separate skirts, per-
nd very cool. These are
d Homespuns but we
.....35c yd
.....15c yd
e great lot and marked
.....7½c yd

GGS

Co.

sts.

a Satistes, only.....49c

GGS

r Co.

Tea Gowns
Dressing Sacques.

e so much comfort-
enditure of money.
yard sweep, full back
75 kind, at .....98c each
Skirts, black, navy and
nd deep hem, cut after
patterns, the $1.49 kind,
.....75c each
nity and Organdy Wrap-
d with lace, good value at
.....$2.49
trimmed with lace, yoke
Jubilee Gown. Black,
trope, pink and nile green.
week.....$8.75

GGS

r Co.

Big Store's desire
e its patrons.

d Latest!

f—

Waist Sets.

ed. See them.

tt & Co.,

RS.

Upright, Square and Honorable Dealings.

The STEWART Dry Goods Co.,

211 NORTH WATER STREET.

Grand Special

MONEY-SAVING EVENT...

We have prepared a genuine feast of Bargains; every price clearly and distinctly showing how to save money. Take advantage of the following

Extraordinary Reductions.

12½c Fine Organdies For 6½c a Yard.

50 pieces of very fine, dainty French Organdies, such as were sold all the spring for 12½c a yard; for a record in low prices your choice for a yard..... 6½c

8c Dimities for 4½c.

100 pieces all new, fresh, dainty Figured Dimities. This is the lowest price ever created in new, fresh, Dimities, a yard, only..... 4½c

10c Dimities for 6½c.

50 new pieces of very fine Corded Dimities, all pretty designs, fresh, cool and dainty, instead of 10c, for a yard..... 6½c

35c Imported French Organdies 18c.

50 pieces of the finest genuine Imported French Organdy, exactly the same as is sold elsewhere for 35c. Save your money by investing; our price only, a yard..... 18c

GREAT SPECIAL OFFERS

100 elegant Silk Umbrellas, lovely fancy handles, steel rods, best paragon frames, serviceable for rain or sun, and instead of $1.50 they go for each..... 98c

New Laces.

100 new pieces of Cream and Ivory Oriental Laces, also 100 pieces of lovely Valencennes Laces, on spcial sale.

The Lowest Prices Ever Created

ON GOOD QUALITIES.

9-4 Unbleached Ready Made 45c good Sheets, for each.....29c
9-4 Full Bleached 50c Ready Made good Sheets for, each.....35c
9-4 beautiful Full Bleached 75c Ready Made Hemstitched Sheets, 49c
45-inch Hemstitched Pillow Cases, the 18c grades, for.....12½c
10c Pillow Cases for, each.....6½c
12½c Pillow Cases for, each..... 9c
75c Bedspreads for.....49c
$1.00 Bedspreads for.....69c
$1.25 Bedspreads for.....95c

Lovely White Goods,

AT 10c A YARD.

85 new pieces of lovely, dainty White Goods, in lace stripes, satin stripes and open work; lovely material for confirmation dresses, graduating dresses, summer dresses, worth from 18c to 25c, all in one lot a yard..... 10c

50c Paris Muslin.....25c
$1.00 Paris Muslin.....50c
15c India Linen.....10c
25c India Linen.....17c

THE STEWART DRY GOODS CO.

211 North Water Street.

You are

surely interested when buying clothing for yourself or your boy, in knowing where you can buy the best made, best fitting

Clothing

at least expenditure of time and money. We think we have the best fitting Clothing manufactured; we know it is as well made as it is possible to make clothing; we know we show as good an assortment as you will find anywhere, bought as cheap as it is possible to buy good clothing, hence we feel that we can save you both time and money.

Our Line of Men's Suits

embraces all the Novelties as well as Staples, and range in price from $5.00 to $18.00 a suit.

Our Children's Department

is exceptionally complete, and in it we show all new fabrics, in Juvenile, Reefer and Vestee styles. Prices from $2.00 to $8.00.

Please do yourself good by seeing us.

B. STINE Clothing Co.,

245-249 NORTH WATER STREET.
NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.

Where He Proposed.

They had looked soulfully into each other's eyes for some time, but somehow he didn't seem to come to the point. Then suddenly he made a discovery.

"You have your mother's beautiful eyes," he said.

She felt that the time had come to play her trump card.

"I have also," she said, "my father's lovely checkbook."

Inside of 30 minutes their engagement was announced.—Chicago Evening Post.

A Leading Question.

"For ten years," said the new boarder at a boarding-house, "my habits were as regular as clock-work. I rose on the stroke of six; half an hour later I sat down to breakfast; at seven I was at work; dined at 12, ate supper at six, and I was in bed at 9:30; ate only healthy food, and hadn't a sick day in all that time."

"Dear me," said the deacon, in sympathetic tones, "and what were you in for?"

(An awful silence ensued.)—Tit-Bits.

The Cheerful Idiot.

"It must have been a very tender-hearted butcher who killed this lamb," said the Cheerful Idiot, pausing in the sawing of his chop.

"Why?" kindly asked the shoe clerk boarder.

"He must have hesitated three or four years before striking the fatal blow."—Indianapolis Journal.

Didn't Show Up.

Hawkins—Terrible thing about Spindle, wasn't it? The poor fellow didn't turn up at his own wedding.

Mrs. Hawkins—Gracious! What was the matter?

Hawkins—He was fool enough to put off his farewell dinner till the night before the wedding day.—Brooklyn Life.

No More Romance.

She feared to make the avowal. "Edward," she faltered when she could no longer postpone the inevitable, "my father has failed in business."

He shivered. "Alas!" he sighed, "now that you are become rich I suppose our fond dream of love is at an end."—Detroit Tribune.

Pleasant Woman to Live With.

"The weather is very trying for everybody," says the physician.

"Yes," replied Mr. Meekton. "I don't see how my wife is going to bear up under it. When the sun doesn't shine it gives her the blues, and when it does she says it's fading the carpet."—Odds and Ends.

Grasping the Opportunity.

She—Perfectly lovely club, isn't it?

He—Are you a member?

She—No; only married women are eligible.

He—Ah! Would you allow me to—make you eligible to membership?—Pearson's.

A Mean Insinuation.

The Impecune—Come, let us go and have some corn beef and cabbage for lunch.

The Other One—I don't object to trying your corn beef, but you know I have sworn off smoking.—Cincinnati Commercial.

A Sure Thing.

Visitor—He is a freshman, you say?

Stranger—Yes. I should think you would guess that from his appearance.

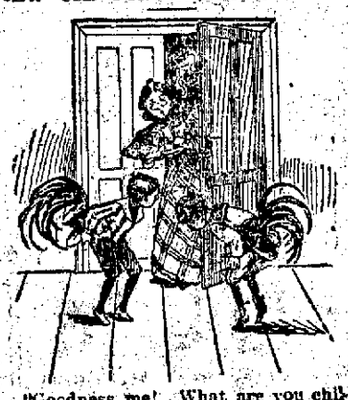
Visitor—Why?

Stranger—He looks so much wiser than the professors. — Philadelphia Press.

How It Comes to Us.

True hearts are more than coronets,
That may with truth be said
When you desire to fill a flush,
But draw some kings instead.
—N. Y. Journal.

NEW USE FOR THEATER HATS.



"Goodness me! What are you children doing with my new hats?"

"Nothing, mamma—jus' playin' rooster fight!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

Love and Hate.

Was it a match of love—
Love that will aye endure?
No, it was rather a match of hate;
She hated longer a maid to wait;
He hated to be poor.
—Brooklyn Life.

In Great Trouble.

"Heavens! I got myself into an awful scrape to-day."

"How?"

"I tried that confounded new barber!"—Philadelphia North American.

His Unfortunate Selection.

"He said that when he left college he would hitch his chariot to a star."

"He did so; but unfortunately he selected a fixed orb for the purpose."—N. Y. Truth.

Not a Great Loss.

Hewitt—I hear that your wife has eloped.

Jewett—Yes, but it was no great loss; I paid the minister only $5 for her.—Town Topics.

Why Baby Wept.

New Father—What's the baby crying for?

Mother—Because I told him he looked like you.—Tit-Bits.

Quite a Woman.

Visitor—How old are you?

Little Mabel—Old enough to know better than to tell.—N. Y. Truth.

THE ANIMALS SUFFER.

Curious Accounts of the Ravages of the Plague in Bombay.

Evidence of the intensity and virulence of the plague in Bombay is given by the curious accounts telegraphed to this country of the deaths of animals from the pestilence. Some weeks ago it was reported that the pigeons were dying of the plague. Now the rats are said for some time to have been plague-stricken, and to be dying in thousands in the native towns.

If those who are fighting the plague have time to attend to anything but the work of saving human life, we may expect more curious information on this point; for there is evidence that, when the plague was at its very worst in Florence, causing the death of 60,000 persons, the pestilence acquired some kind of cumulative energy by which it went on from man to animal, and at last involved the latter in common destruction with their masters. As it advanced "not only men but animals fell sick and shortly expired, if they had touched things belonging to the diseased or dead." Boccaccio himself saw two hogs on the rags of a person who had died of plague, after staggering about for a short time, fall down dead, as if they had taken poison.

In the "Lives of the Roman Pontiffs" it is stated that in other places multitudes of cats, dogs, fowls and other animals fell victims to the contagion. There is little doubt that the concurrence of human and animal death took place in other countries than Italy, though the chronicler, appalled by the loss of human life, only alludes to "murrain" among the cattle as a concomitant of the plague. "At the commencement of the black death there was in England," says Hecker, "an abundance of all the necessities of life; but the plague, which seemed to be the sole disease, was soon accompanied by a fatal murrain among the cattle. Wandering about without herdsmen, they fell by thousands." It is not known whether this murrain was due to plague itself or to some special animal epidemic. But it did not break out until after the plague was rife, and added enormously to the loss of life, because it was impossible to remove the corn from the fields, causing everywhere a great rise in the price of food, although the harvest had been plentiful.—London Spectator.

FIRST METHODIST SERMON.

Preached by John Wesley Over a Century and a Half Ago.

On the 7th of March, 1736, John Wesley preached the first Methodist sermon ever preached on this continent. It was delivered not far from the site of the present Christ church, Savannah, of which he subsequently was the third rector, and was addressed to a mixed assemblage. His congregation hardly exceeded 400 persons, including children and adults, reenforced, however, by 100 or more of the neighboring Indians. Wesley discussed in a most eloquent manner the principles of Christian charity as argued by Saint Paul in the 13th chapter of First Corinthians. He made a powerful appeal, and many of his audience were in tears. While he was not so impetuous in his delivery as in after years, his abilities at that time bespoke the great preacher and reformer.

If he was more scholastic in style than in after years, the fervor and force of his appeals were none the less felt by his hearers. Especially was this strikingly true when in the course of his discourse he adverted to the death of his father, who for 40 years or more had been the incumbent of the Epworth rectory. This venerable man was asked not long before his death: "Are the consolations of God small with you?" "No, no, no!" he exclaimed, with uplifted hands, "and then," continued Wesley, "calling all that were near him by their names, the dying patriarch said: 'Think of Heaven, talk of Heaven; all time is lost when we are not thinking of Heaven!'" This was spoken by Wesley in a tremulous voice, and his new parishioners at Savannah were for the instant almost swept off their feet by a tidal wave of religious enthusiasm. Tradition has it that several Indians who were present became so greatly excited, not only by Mr. Wesley's impassioned oratory—though they did not understand a word he said—but by his gestures, that one old warrior nervously clutched his tomahawk, fearing an outbreak in the strangely-moved audience.—Rev. W. J. Scott, D. D., in Ladies' Home Journal.

Your Boy Won't Live a Month.

So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had lung trouble, following typhoid malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying: "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. At West's drug store.

Cad, the bright little son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Alexander, who live two miles north of Rantoul, died this week of lockjaw.

James Zumwalde of Sadorus, is hauling a barn 37x60 ordered on his farm in place of the one recently destroyed by fire.

★ ODDS and ENDS. ★

...TEST AD. PRICES...

Bring This Ad. With You.

GIRL'S WHEEL.

Cushion Tire Boys' and Girl's Bicycles $5.

Pneumatic Tire Boys' Bicycles ONLY $11.00.

BOYS' WHEEL.

Prices for This Week Only

$40 Juvenile Bicycles	$30.00
$35 Juvenile Bicycles	27.50
$30 Juvenile Bicycles	22.50
$25 Juvenile Bicycles	17.50

Come Quick and Bring This Ad.

J. G. STARR & SON,

Lincoln Square.

★ Good Second-Hand Wheels Cheap. ★

Punctures 25c.

Race Clothing Mfg Co.

Hot Weather Is Here!

We can help you to keep cool at a small expense..

COOL UNDERWEAR

In Balbriggan, French Lisle, and Imported Netted Goods.

Cool Coats and Vests

In Silk, Brilliantines, Alpacas, Mohairs, Serges, Dreptedas and Crash Suits.

STRAW HATS.

All the nobby styles for dress—French Braids, Canton Braids and Mackinaws.

SUMMER NECKWEAR—All Styles.

FANCY SHIRTS

In soft, cool goods—Stiff Bosoms, Negligee and other styles.

Prices that are right and goods right. Come and see.

Race Clothing M'f'g Co.,

125 North Water Street.

These Two Baskets

are several days apart. To shorten the time and lighten the journey between, is to bless womankind who are all looking for the best bridge over; and this is the mission of Santa Claus Soap. It has long been used by thousands of thoughtful women who believe in saving themselves unnecessary labor.

SANTA CLAUS SOAP

is made to wash with, and it washes just right. It foams readily, rinses easily, cleans perfectly. Snowy, sweet and uninjured clothes follow in the train of SANTA CLAUS. We ask for it an introduction next Monday morning. Sold everywhere.

MADE ONLY BY
THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago.

J. B Bullard,

FUNERAL DIRECTOR.

SYNDICATE BLOCK, NORTH MAIN ST.,

Where everything pertaining to the funeral business is furnished and attended to in the high est style of art. Calls day or night will receive prompt attention. In connection a receiving vault. Residence 328 West William street. Residence Telephone 126. Office, 126.

ORIENT INSURANCE CO.,

Hartford, Conn.
WRITES FIRE AND CYCLONE INSURANCE.
CAPT. LYTLE, Agent. 147 Merchant Street.

Millard & Julius Malenthal,
MANAGERS.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

Toronto, Ont., July 15-18, Epworth League National Convention. Tickets sold July 13th, 14th and 15th, good returning to and including July 24th, with the privilege of an extension of time to leave Toronto on or before August 12th, provided ticket is deposited with the agent of Terminal line at Toronto prior to July 24th. Tickets to permit stop over in Canada within authorized limit, except that tickets extended for return beyond July 24th shall be available only for continuous return passage. One fare for the round trip.

Celeron (Lake Chautauqua) N. Y., July 13 to 20. Tickets sold July 11 and 12, with final return limit of July 20. One fare round trip.

Detroit, Mich., July 6-13. Tickets sold July 5 and 6, good to return to and including July 14th. One fare round trip.

Annual meeting National Educational Association at Milwaukee, Wis., July 6 to 9. Tickets sold on July 3d, 4th and 5th. Tickets limited to return on July 10, 11 or 12, 1897, only. Extension of time may be had if tickets are deposited with Joint Agent at Milwaukee on or before July 12, 1897, and paying 50 cents at time of deposit. Extension tickets good leaving Milwaukee on any date up to and including August 31, 1897, but passengers must leave Milwaukee on first train after ticket is taken out of hands of Joint agent. Rate from Decatur $9.00 round trip.

Tickets on sale at Union Depot or City Office 131 East William street.

Sunday Trains.

Beginning Sunday, May 30th, the P., D. & E. Railway will put on their Sunday trains: Train No. 40 will leave Decatur at 3:30 p. m. for all points north and northwest, making good connections at Peoria. Train No. 41 leaves Decatur at 11:30 a. m. for all points south and southeast, making good connections at Evansville with the L. & N. for the exposition and other points south. This will enable all who want to spend a day outing or with friends to do so. For further information apply to

T. PENIWELL, Ticket Agent,
W. L. SMITH, Ticket Agent, Decatur, Ill.
H. B. DYER, Ticket Agent,
or to A. G. PALMER, G. P. A., Evansville, Ind.

P. D. & E. Excursion for California.

$24.00 from Decatur to San Francisco and Los Angeles. $24.00 from San Francisco and Los Angeles to Decatur. This is on account of the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held at San Francisco July 7—11. Tickets will be sold June 29, 30, and July 1, 2 and 5. The C., B. & Q. has been selected as the official route from Illinois and will run through sleepers from Peoria to San Francisco June 29, with stop-over privileges at Denver and points west of Denver. Go with the crowd and be happy. Secure reservations at once before it is too late. For full information or reservations call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 East William street.

Sunday Train Service.

On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will move the Sunday Traveler. Train No. 40 going north will pass Decatur at 3:30 p. m. Train No. 41 going south will pass at 11:30 a. m.

Dr. T. E. Stanley, Optician, Opera House Block, Permit Now.
jan 24-d&w tf

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

J. R. GORIN
Titles to Real Estate Examined.
Deeds, Mortgages, Agreements, Etc., Written.
Settlement of Estates a Specialty.
Prompt Attention to Collection of Claims and any Business in the Legal Line.
Room 614 Millikin Bank Building, Decatur, Ill.

HERMAN SPIES.
Book Binder.
Practical Book Binding and Blank Book Manufacturing. 137 South Water street, Decatur, Ill. Magazines bound, names stamped in gold on books

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor.
South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Il

HARRY K. MIDKIFF,
Constable and Collector,
147 South Water St.
Telephone—Old 329, New 78, Residence, Old 30
COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 22-dtf

DR. LAURENS ENOS,
Homeopathist and Surgeon.
—Chronic Diseases a Specialty.—
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, 945 N. Main st.
Jan. 12-dtf

I. D. STINE.
ARCHITECT.
Pasfield Building.
Telephone 570. DECATUR, ILL.

DR. HOWARD M. WOOD
HOMEOPATHIST.
Arcade Office Building, Decatur, Ill.
Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m.
Telephones | Office, 277, Res., 216. | Residence 1466 N. Edward St.

B. I. STERRETT
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
OFFICE—Over Strean' Clothing Store Decatur

DR. L. H. CLARK,
Room 20, Arcade Office Building
Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m.
Telephone—Residence, 304; Office, 305.
Residence—935 West North St.

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1—October 31, 1897. We learn that our people are offered a very low rate to the Nashville Exposition via the P., D. & E. Railway. The time via this route is from seven to nine hours quicker than via any other route. With the inducement of the very low rate offered, every one should see the International Exposition, which, it is said, stands second to the Chicago Exposition among the large number of Expositions which have been held in recent years.

The P. D. & E. Railway offer a low rate of $8.10 from Decatur with limit of ten days, "tickets of twenty day limit and also with limit Nov. 7th, may be had at a little higher rate. If any circular or information is desired it will be furnished upon inquiry from P. D. & E. Agent, or by writing direct to A. G. Palmer, who is General Passenger Agent at Evansville, Ind.

June 5-to Oct 25

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will run through Pullman Buffet sleeping car service between St. Louis and Mackinaw, Michigan, via the Terre Haute, Indianapolis, Grand Rapids and Petoskey Day Line. This will be the only line of through cars from St. Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. Sleeping car will be ready for the accommodation of passengers Saturday night, September 4, 1897. For full information, address Geo. Rennick, Vandalia Line Agent, or S. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.

AMERICA'S ONLY KING.

The Head of the House of Handy Described by an American.

The king of the Mosquito coast has lost his pension, and now America's only monarch has no visible means of support. A few weeks ago the Nicaraguan republic, which holds suzerainty over his majesty on condition of the annual payment of a pension, withdrew this allowance.

As a result, the king has complained to his old friend, the British government, and temporarily abandoned his dominions to sojourn in Jamaica under the protection of John Bull.

Complications are feared, as in 1860 Nicaragua agreed, in treaty with England and the United States, to pay the Mosquito sovereign and his successors $5,000 per annum forever. This treaty was broken in February, 1894, when the Nicaraguans invaded the Mosquito coast, and John Bull and Uncle Sam were forced to interfere once more. Since then a bare remnant of the pension has been paid yearly to the Mosquitoes, and now Nicaragua, in defiance of England, has flatly refused to disburse further. This announcement has caused a flutter in British Honduras, and it is highly probable that trouble like that of 1894 may ensue.

It is a popular belief that, since the star of imperialism paled in republican Brazil, no monarch has reigned in all America—that from Behring straits to Terre del Fuego every royal throne on the continent has been swept away. And yet on American soil at the present day there dwells and rules a king, the heir of a line of potentates which extends far beyond the ken of the chronicler. This sovereign is almost ignored in American geographies, but in England and throughout Europe generally he is described as "his majesty, George William Albert, king of the Mosquito coast."

A description of the only existing American king by one who knows him intimately may be of interest. Arthur F. Sandham, a well-known civil engineer and mahogany trader of Roxbury, Mass., has recently returned from a sojourn of years on the Mosquito coast. In speaking of King George, he says:

"I know the old king well. He was born in '47, and is a really intelligent old chap. The Indian and the negro are about equally strong in him, while there is just a faintly describable leaven of white. His palace lay just out of Bluefields, but at present he lives in Jamaica, on $7.50 a day from Great Britain.

"The king resided when at home with his wife, mother and grandmother. The center hut was reserved for King Frederick Albert and his dusky consort. The cares of state (which in truth are few) the king left to his prime minister, an American named Cuthbert, but in all cases of litigation among his subjects the monarch acted as supreme judge and jury. When holding court he reclined in a hammock under the trees and smoked cigarettes. His wife, Queen Elizabeth Victoria, is addicted to clay pipes.

"The king's costume is, except on ultra-state occasions, very light and airy. A pair of light duck pantaloons and a webwork shirt from his everyday dress. On grand occasions he dons a somewhat faded but still gorgeous uniform, once worn by ex-Prime Minister Patrick Walker when color sergeant of the Kilkenny militia, and bequeathed to King George as a token of affection."

"The king is not a drunkard, like his uncle, King George Charles Frederick, but he likes rum and does not abhor whisky. His favorite tipple is English pale ale, casks of which are smuggled to him from British Honduras. As I was anxious to secure mahogany concessions, and willing to pay for them, the king and Premier Cuthbert were quite friendly with me, and I was a guest at a dinner of honor. I wrote out the menu of the dinner in exact order that same evening. It ran as follows:

Pale Ale.
Chicken with Herbs.
Rum.
Fricassee of Young Monkey.
Rye Whisky.
Green Turtle with Broth.
Brandy and Soda.
Oysters.
Pale Ale.

"It will be seen that the ingenious chef on this occasion inverted the usual order of menu procedure—beginning with the roast and ending with the oysters.

"After dinner we enjoyed a smoke under the trees, while two servants kept off the insects with long palm branches.

"The Moravians and Catholics have missions in the king's territory, but they cannot be said to have made much progress against paganism. The old Indian rites and superstitions rule among the Mosquitoes, mixed with a little voodoo from their negro forbears. Children are betrothed at ten or eleven years old, and married at 13 or 14. I witnessed a Mosquito funeral, with its curious attendant ceremonies. The dead man was 'Prince' William Henry George Handy, a cousin of his majesty. He was interred in almost indecent haste; and all his live stock—dogs, cattle and ponies—were killed over his grave. It is the national creed that the deceased will need all his earthly belongings in the next world. After the slaughter a cotton thread was fixed to a wand in the grave and stretched thence, despite every obstacle, to the dead man's hut. No person was permitted to touch the string during three days and nights, that time being, it was believed, the space allowed to the ghost of Prince William to do his last earthly visiting. The string was intended to guide the spirit toward his earthly habitation. On the fourth day the string was cut down, and on the fifth the supposedly disconsolate widow became the wife of the deceased's brother, according to a Mosquito law, shared, curiously enough, by the Jews. With the wedding, which was performed by his majesty, the funeral celebration ended, and everyone made haste to forget the departed 'Prince' William Henry George."—N. Y. Sun.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by West, Druggist.

Mike Dwyer is charged with assaulting Officer Smith at Lincoln with a beer bottle. The officer was rendered unconscious by the blow—not by the beer.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The council of the Reformed Episcopal church of the United States and Canada, now in session in New York city, was stirred up by the proposition to admit a woman delegate who came from Peoria. The question was referred.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

J. S. Thompson, of Lacon, has purchased the celebrated Jesus Maria silver mine for $500,000. It is situated near San Luis Potosi, Mexico, and has only recently been rediscovered. It was worked ages ago by the Aztecs.

Suffered 27 Years With Kidney Disease.

Mr. G. A. Stillson, a merchant of Tampico, Ill., writes August 10th, 1891: "Foley's Kidney Cure is meeting with wonderful success. It has cured some cases here that physicians pronounced incurable. I myself am able to testify to its merits. My face to-day is a living picture of health, and Foley's Kidney Cure has made it such. I had suffered twenty-seven years with the disease, and to-day I feel ten years younger than I did one year ago. I can obtain some wonderful certificates of its medical qualities." H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Ted Satuley, of Delavan, has been arrested and taken to Pekin charged with taking wheat from Philip Urish, near Green Valley, which, it is claimed, he sold at San Jose. He was placed under $200 bonds.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

While S. W. Allerton of Chicago was in Piatt county last week looking after his big farming interests, he was taken with a severe attack of rheumatism which laid him up for several days.

A White Mark.

Foley's Kidney Cure is a perfectly reliable preparation for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. The proprietors of this Great Medicine guarantee it or the money refunded. Do they not deserve a white mark? H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Three car loads of cools, horses and men have been unloaded at Green Valley, where work will be commenced on the St. Louis, Peoria, and Northern railway.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A. A. Allin, formerly of the T. P. & W., with headquarters at Peoria, has been appointed vice-president of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad.

When You Take Your Vacation

the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by a change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Messrs. Currey, Foster and Burroughs, of Mason City, sail from New York on a European tour. They will tour the continent on wheels.

Penny Wise and Pound Foolish

are they who have not Foley's Colic Cure as a safeguard in the family. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Wheat throughout Logan county is said to be looking much better than was thought possible for it to do a few weeks ago.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Powers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

James Zumwaldt of Emden, is having a barn 37x48 erected on his farm in place of the one recently destroyed by fire.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The little son of Supervisor Houchin, of Allin's Grove, near Mason City, fell from a tree this week, sustaining a compound fracture of the thigh bone.

Cad, the bright little son of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Alexander, who live two miles north of Rantoul, died this week of lockjaw.

Alumni and Graduates.

YOUNG MEN:

We would advise you to purchase your Full Dress Sundries before the day of the Alumni Banquet.

We have just received the Latest Novelties in—

LAWN TIES,
COLLARS,
CUFFS,
DRESS SHIRTS,
HANDKERCHIEFS,
ETC., ETC.

Cheap Charley,
The Reliable Clothier.

Keller Grocery Co...

We are here to stay, and to stay we must do business, and to do business we must sell goods cheap, and to convince you of the fact we quote you a few prices and sell all goods not listed at the same proportion.

50 lbs. Gold Mine Flour, (guaranteed), per sack	$1.15	3-lb box Starch	18c
Missouri Honey, per lb	12½c	Bulk Starch, per lb	5c
Fresh Rolled Oats, per package	5c	Sal Soda, per lb	2½c
Pitted Cherries, per lb	15c	10c bottle Bluing	5c
Dried Raspberries, per lb	15c	10 bars Kirk's Soap	25c
California Dried Peaches, per lb	5c	11 bars Gloss Soap	25c
California Dried Apples, per lb	5c	1 lb. good Baking Powder	10c
3 Crown Muscatel Raisins, per lb	5c	Oil Sardines, per can	5c
Whole Dried Apples, (cored) per lb	5c	Mustard Sardines, per can	5c
Dates, per lb	5c	4-X Coffee, 2 packages for	25c
3-lb. can Tomatoes, per can	7c	Imperial Tea, per lb	20c
Sugar Corn, per can	5c	Tea Dust, per lb	10c
Early June Peas, per can	5c	Large Gmin Japan Rice, per lb	6¼c
3-lb. can California Table Fruits	12½c	1 lb. package Washing Powder	5c
1-gal. can York State Apples, can	17c		
1-gal. can Peeled Peaches, per can	25c		
1 gallon can Apricots, per can	25c		
10c package Starch	5c		

All Kinds of Fruits and Vegetables in their Season.

☞ Everything as represented or money refunded.

Keller Grocery House and Market,

Powers Block, South Water Street.
Both Telephones 113.

YOU CAN BE CURED! DEATH IS KING OF TERRORS.

The Most Skillful and Scientific Treatment of the THROAT, LUNGS, KIDNEYS, LIVER, HEART, SKIN and NERVOUS DISEASES Possible to Obtain.

I will Locate Disease and Tell Your Exact Condition without Asking a Question, Upon Examination. You can be cured

LADIES That "tired" feeling and all the female weaknesses are promptly cured. Bloating, Headaches, Nervous Prostration, General Debility, Sleeplessness, Depression and Indigestion, Ovarian Troubles, Inflammation and Ulceration, Falling and Displacements, Spinal Weakness, Kidney Complaints and Change of Life.

MEN Nervous Debility, Loss of Vital Power, Sleeplessness, Despondency, Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Blurs before the eyes, Lassitude, Languor, Dizziness, Depression of Spirits, Aversion to Society, Easily discouraged, Lack of Confidence, Dull, Listless, Unfit for study or business and finds life a burden, safely, permanently and privately cured.

Blood and Skin Diseases, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Blotches, Fever Sores, Pimples, Ulcers, Pain in the Head and Bones, Enlargement of the Neck, Rheumatism, Catarrh, etc., permanently cured when others have failed.

Consumption The idea that Consumption is incurable is fast becoming obsolete. This dread and formerly fatal disease is curable in the same degree as other diseases are. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and I have succeeded in curing the greater portion of them. I would refer those who have symptoms of the first stage of the disease to call at once. [illegible] treatment before the malady [illegible]

Bright's Disease This may every one before long [illegible] ration or granulation of the kidneys have taken place.

Heart Disease Diseases of the heart have become alarmingly frequent. There are few diseases of the human system more calculated to fill the mind with serious apprehensions than wrong actions of the heart. The importance of seeking from the varied phenomena which present themselves the true cause of the impairment and could should be our first concern. This affliction, whether functional or structural, is almost invariably cured by my treatment.

Cancer We cure this terrible affliction by eradicating the disease from the system. No cutting.

A Business Point I have never charged an exhorbitant fee, and in the future, as in the past, my entire attention and skill will be devoted to my patients at very reasonable rates. CONSULTATION FREE.

OFFICE HOURS. 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. 6 to 8 p. m. **DR. J. FLOYD BANTON,** Rooms 24, 25, 26, 27, Temple Block, Cor. E. North and Water Sts.

NewspaperARCHIVE.com

THE WORLD IS MUNYON'S.

All Great Discoveries of All Schools of Medicine are Brought to Munyon's Laboratory.

MUNYON ESTABLISHES THE STANDARD OF MERIT.

Professor Munyon keeps in touch with medical investigation and experiment throughout the world. His systematic methods have become so well known that the greatest discoveries are now submitted to him for practical test. Munyon's approval of any new remedy establishes its character and insures a fortune for its discoverer. Munyon believes that there is a cure for every disease, and that people should die only from old age or by accident. Fifty-seven absolute cures are now included in the Munyon system, and others are added as experience demonstrates their efficacy. There is no guesswork and no theorizing. Munyon's Dyspepsia Cure is prepared expressly to cure dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. Munyon's Rheumatism Cure is a specific for rheumatism, lumbago and sciatica. Munyon's Kidney Cure conquers the various and dangerous affections of the kidneys. Munyon's Nerve Cure rebuilds the nervous system. Munyon's Catarrh treatment cures catarrh of the head, throat or stomach. The Munyon remedies work with scientific exactness. He has a separate specific for each disease. For sale by druggists. Mostly 25 cents. If you do not fully understand your own case write to Professor Munyon, at Philadelphia, and he will tell you free of charge.

LATE SHADES IN GLOVES.

Six Button Suedes in Light Shades for the Summer.

The newest gloves for summer wear are the six-button suedes in all the light shades. The glace is a thing of the past, at least for the summer. They are too warm. Besides, the suedes are much easier to put on when the hand is warm, and, perhaps, moist with perspiration.

The lightest tints in gloves are trimmed in darker shades of the same color or contrasting colors. By trimmings are meant the stitchings in the back, the pearl buttons, and the binding of the edges. A very pretty effect is obtained in the new shade of yellow which is called "amber," and which is bound all around the edges, including the five or six big scallops around the wrist, with a dark brown glace kid. The buttons are a pearl of the same dark-brown shade. Other colors, such as blue, heliotrope or pink tints are trimmed with black glace and buttons and stitching. In contrast to these are shown also the darker shades trimmed in white in the same manner.

There are two new cycling gloves for ladies—the ventilated glove and the adjustable gauntlet. The ventilated glove is made with heavy glace dogskin palm and a suede finish back, both palm and back being perforated with little pinhead holes for ventilation. The adjustable gauntlet is a good dogskin glove with patent snap buttons and a separate gauntlet, which also has snap button fastening, besides an extra snap which buttons to the ordinary glove wrist, fitting as closely as a gauntlet which is sewed fast to the entire wrist of the glove. These gauntlets being separate, and of the best kid in all brown shades, and taps as well, will fit over any glove, and will outwear several pairs of the ordinary gloves. If desired one may also wear the gloves without the gauntlets. Thus a riding glove may be made into a walking glove, or vice versa.—Chicago Tribune.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

THE WABASH RAILROAD COMPANY.

Change in Route of St. Louis-Boston Sleeping Car.

Taking effect Sunday, June 13th, the St. Louis-Boston Sleeping Car, now running from Detroit to Buffalo via the Michigan Central Railroad, will run over the Wabash new line from Detroit to Buffalo, and thence via West Shore & Fitchburg Railroads to Boston, as at present.

Train No. 2 arrives at Decatur at 11:17 p. m., and No. 3 at 3:20 a. m.

No. 14-4 leaving St. Louis at 8:45 a. m. arriving Buffalo 7:40 a. m., and No. 25 leaving Buffalo 3:55 p. m. arriving St. Louis 7:52 p. m., has Free Reclining Chair Cars between St. Louis and Buffalo without change via above route. C. S. Crane, Gen. Pass. and Ticket Agent. 12-h2

D. L. Thompson has been appointed postmaster at Brandwell.

Truths Tersely Told.

Foley's Kidney Cure is a safe, sure remedy for all kinds of Kidney and Bladder Diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

"Clover bloat" is killing many cattle in the vicinity of Dewey.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Sarah C. Bowman of Boston died last Saturday after a year's illness.

BRINGING UP CHILDREN.

Love and Confidence Are the First Principles.

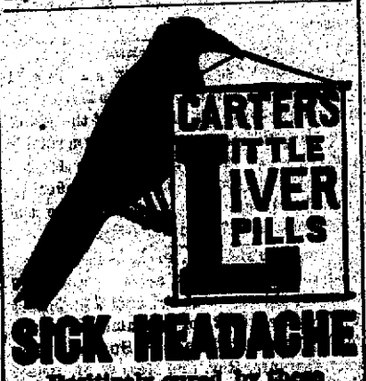
"My dear mother has curious ideas about children," said an ideal young mother not long ago. "She is always talking about 'the good old-fashioned way' of bringing them up, though certainly she must know that it drove the sons away from their parents, and made the daughters remember the old home as though it were a reformatory. John and I were both too sternly treated when we were children, a generation later; in fact, his father was so cruel that he cannot bear to remember his youth and its trials. So we determined to take other plans with our children. First of all, to make their early home so happy that they will always remember it as the dearest place on earth, and to win their love and confidence and to make them sure of ours. The idea of standing on dignity with one's own babies—the idea of their being afraid to say anything they wish to say to us, and to utter little cries of pleasure, to chatter and laugh over their meals, to join in the conversation when a bright idea strikes them. I do not need to be harsh. That mother doesn't like it is enough."

There is every distinction between repression and suppression; that is, parents should repress their children, but not suppress them. Theirs is the time of life into which neither care nor trouble nor shame nor fear of criticism should enter. Fair and kindly treatment will give them, as they grow older, a joyous and aggressive confidence that will help them through many difficulties that would otherwise appall them. Moreover, it is as wrong to tell a child of its faults before visitors as it would be to tell one's husband or one's wife. If there is anything to talk over, do it in the nursery when outsiders are away. "As for their papa," added this model woman, "he does as I desire him to do, being away at business so much, and comes home to be met with shouts of joy, kissed, petted climbed over; to have his pockets searched for candies and to brighten up the house. As yet I do not tell the baby faults to him; they are all within my own province; and later when the boys become their father's care I am sure they will be kindly, tenderly and wisely advised. They will be their father's companion, as the girls will be mine, and such boys seldom become dissipated or vicious." That happens to those who, having no home love to turn to, seek friends elsewhere, and choose unwisely—those who are brought up in the cold, iron-bound, old-fashioned way.—Boston Budget.

Lincoln is preparing for a big Fourth of July celebration.

New Holland has voted in favor of village organization.

Jacksonville celebrated "osage orange" day Tuesday by athletic games, etc.



SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

HUMOROUS.

—Teacher (angrily)—"Why don't you answer my question, Bobby?" His Brother Tommy (answering for him)—"Please, sir, he's got a peppermint in his speech."—Tit-Bits.

—Fuddy—"You call money 'stamps,' don't you?" Duddy—"And money is currency. So I suppose that when you speak of an elastic currency, you refer to rubber stamps."—Boston Transcript.

—French Waiter (in London restaurant, to Yabsley, who has been trying to make himself understood in bill-of-fare French)—"If ze gentleman vill talk ze langage vot he was born in, I vill very mooch better understood."—Tit-Bits.

—At the Intelligence Office.—"Have you any cooks that weigh 200 pounds?" "Goodness! What do you want with such a big one?" "Well, we would like one that won't always be trying to ride my wife's wheel on the sly."—Detroit Free Press.

—"Did that lawyer get a clear view of the case?" inquired the litigant's friend. "No, I'm afraid he didn't. I told him that my trouble was about money, and he seemed to be proceeding on the theory that by relieving me of my money he would cause the trouble to disappear."—Washington Star.

—An Interpretation.—"I wonder," said Mrs. Cumrox, thoughtfully, "what that nice, old-fashioned lady means by putting 'P. P. C.' on her card?" "That means she is going away," replied her daughter. "Oh, I see, and she wants us to know that she is going to travel in a Pullman palace car."—Washington Star.

WHEN TAPE WAS HAND-MADE.

Women of Colonial Times Had to Know How to Spin Thread.

Among the many household industries of colonial housewives, which include spinning, pen, ink, wine, glove, shoe and lace manufacture, was the making of tape, though this was considered of minor importance. The preparation for weaving tape on the small hand loom was the same as for making yards of linen cloth on the great looms that stood in the weaving room attached to the kitchens of colonial farmhouses.

The flax, when harvested was "rippled" on the field, the rippler being a large comb fastened on a plank. The flax was beaten on the comb to remove the capsules containing the seeds. Then it was "rotted" to make the fiber soft and flexible. This was generally accomplished by laying it beneath the waters of the meadow brook or pond. Some colonial farmers laid it on the ground for the winter's snow to render it fit for the scutcher, the machine that whipped out all the particles of bark and stalk adhering to the fiber.

The next and last process before it was ready for the spinning wheel was hackling to straighten the flax, free it from tangles and bring it to the requisite fineness. This was done by a very primitive machine called the "hatchel," an immense comb, whose long iron teeth were set perpedicularly in a board.

The operation of hackling requires much skill, and this part of the long preparation was particularly women's work, as it needed delicacy of touch. After the flax was hackled it was carefully sorted, according to the degree of fineness. This process was called "spreading and drawing." Then it was ready to be wrapped in its soft, fluffy fineness, about the spindle.

The spinner seated herself at the machine and soon the "music of the wheel" and the deft fingers of the colonial housewife brought the fiber into long, even thread, ready for the small loom and shuttle, to be converted into tape.

The shopper of to-day little realizes the long and tedious processes practiced by the woman of colonial times before she could wind her linen tape into a neat roll for the workbasket's uses.—N. Y. Tribune.

THE AFRICAN PIANO.

Playing the Madimba Is an Art Practiced by a Few Specialists.

Among the musical instruments used on the Congo we notice the long and short drum. Some drums are used to beat the time of the dance. Some other drums are used as telephones for the transmission of messages to neighboring villages. The string instruments represent the African harp. The ivory horns are used for the convocation of popular assemblies. The double bell is used to call the attention of the people to some proclamation of the chief. The Africans everywhere are very musical, but their music does not always suit European taste.

The African dance is not always indulged in for amusement alone. Dancing enters into some of the most solemn ceremonies—as, for instance, the inauguration of a new king. Then the chief-elect of the tribe dances very gravely before the assembled elders and the people.

The madimba has been called the African piano. It is made of calabashes of graded sizes, which are surmounted by boards, of graded size, all being attached to a semicircular frame. Each board represents a note and emits its appointed sound when struck by one of the two rubber balls at the end of the two sticks which are cleverly handled by the musician. While almost every native can beat the drum or play some of the minor musical instruments, the playing of the madimba is an art which only a few specialists learn. They must be paid for playing at festivals or ceremonies and their art supports them, either partly or entirely.—Journal of American Folk Lore.

Could Not Go That Far.

"You wait till I come out," said the farmer's wife. "I've got a big dog in here."

"Thanks," returned Rural Raggs, pleasantly. "But I ain't hungry enough to eat dawg."—Brooklyn Life.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance.

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

BIDS WANTED—I will receive bids up to noon on July 1, 1897, for the boiler in the annex to the county jail. Bids must be sealed and made on the boiler as it is now placed in the annex. Address W. H. SPENCE, Chairman of County Board Committee on Public Buildings, Riverside Place, Decatur, Ill. June 14-d6*

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-d1f

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Desirable property on West Decatur street in best residence portion of the city; lot 60 feet front; good 8-room house, with attic, pantry and closets; house piped for gas, electric wired and heated with furnace; city water in yard; good well and cistern; pump in house; sewer connection.

ALSO—Two houses of four and five rooms each, on North Union street; 48 feet corner lot; cisterns and well.

ALSO—One of the best lots in Riverside addition.

Will sell any or all of above at less than actual value. Apply to J. W. BAKER, 630 West Decatur street. June 9-d5*

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1709 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR SALE—8 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $400 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-d1f

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Unfurnished rooms at 543 North Main street. Inquire on premises. June 14-d6*

FOR RENT—House No. 735 North Main street. Enquire of W. E. HUBBARD, No. 731 North Main street, Decatur. 9-d6

TO RENT—Cheap, one four-room and one six-room house; Solane Place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade. April 17-d1f

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS...

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 127 North Water street.

LOW RATES.

May 30-d1f GEO. W. EHRHART.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,

—LOAN BROKER,—

All Classes of Loans Negotiated.

145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO., Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE

LOANS AND SECURITIES,

ROOMS 202-3-4,

MILLIKIN BANK B'LDG,

DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 608 Milliken Bank Building. Oct 26-d&wtf

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Erhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. july 7-d1m

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Decatur Rubber Stamp Works. If you need a Name Stamp, a Book Mark, a Business Stamp of any kind, or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, place your order with J. M. MYERS, 301 S. Church St., Decatur, Ill. Old Telephone 86.

ONE BUSINESS MAN WANTED in every city (not already taken) for exclusive sale of manufactured goods. Applicant must furnish few hundred dollars cash capital to carry small stock of saleable merchandise with which to supply his own customers after orders are first secured. $200 monthly profit assured over all expenses. State references, qualifications, etc. F. E. VAIL, 139-140 Nassau st., New York. June 7-d6

AUTOHARP TEACHER.—Wanted—Prof. F. E. Hullihen desires to organize a class for instructions on the Autoharp. I use my own copyrighted method and can safely guarantee you to perform nicely in two short lessons. No money required in advance. Free concert at Lutz' music store Saturday evening at 7 p. m. Will call at your homes by request. Leave address at the store. Residence 151 West Main street. June 10-d6

STOLEN—On June 4, a Waverly Belle, No. 97,191; 28-inch wheel, G. & J. clincher tire, ladies' wheel. Taken from in front of Bohon's store. Information as to the wheel and thief will be gratefully received by P. Kilkeary, 944 East Eldorado street. 4-d1f

MADAME A. ROBINSON, clairvoyant and trance medium, tells the past, present and future, gives free tests from 12:30 to 2 o'clock at rear 520 Spring Avenue. Guarantees satisfaction. 2-d6*

A GOOD CHANCE to trade your Nebraska land for good Decatur lots. Call on Clark & Schroll, Room 22 Arcade. Apr 17-d1f

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made, $1.00 per dozen; Proofs shown. Accuracy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in making good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrance; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-d1f

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-d1f

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x90. What's the matter with this? nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-d1f

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-d1f

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-d6*

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and steam from two inches to three feet. 715 E. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street.

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Owners of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. June 1-d1f

RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering by some time I was induced by a friend to take Cardamine Compound without question. To my surprise it cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 26-d1f

Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. MACON COUNTY.

In the County Court, August Term, 1896.

In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased. DeWitt C. Corley, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased vs. Mary S. Kirk, O. T. Kirk, Celestia A. Christian, John Christian, Fred Normann, Henry Shlandeman, John G. Keller, county superintendent of schools of Macon county, Illinois, Ann M. Cummings, Hiram Johnson, James Milliken, Orville R. Gorin, surviving partners of the firm of J. Milliken & Co., E. J. Roberts, W. L. Johnson, William J. Pegram, William Conel, and James E. Osborne.—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree in the above entitled cause entered at the August term thereof A. D. 1896, and modified as to terms of sale at the May term, 1897, the undersigned administrator will on the 26th day of June, A. D. 1897 at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day at the north door of the Court House in Decatur, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder, the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot eighteen in J. K. Warren & Co.'s Sixth addition to the City of Decatur; also lots four, five and six in Martin Forstmeyer's reservoir of block "A" in Martin Forstmeyer's addition to the city of Decatur; also lot thirteen in block fourteen in Railroad addition to the village of Macon; all of said premises being situated in Macon county and state of Illinois.

The terms of said sale will be cash in hand on the day of sale.

Abstracts of title to said premises can be seen at the office of the undersigned at 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill.

DEWITT C. CORLEY, Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth J. Cummings, deceased.

May 26-d 4 w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. MACON COUNTY. } In the Circuit Court,

George Neisinger, Complainant, vs. Otto E. Weber et al., Defendants.—In Chancery; No. 15686.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, the 19th day of June, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots five (5) and six (6) in Block two (2) of Railroad addition to the City of Macon, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 21st day of May, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

W. T. Cassins, Complainant's Solicitor.

May 31-d6d

Administrator's Sale.

Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of David Garver, deceased, will on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 1 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell at public sale at the north front door of the Court House in the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, the following personal property, goods and chattels belonging to the estate of said deceased: One gold watch, one bed, one spring, two rocking chairs, one feather bed, two pillows, one sheet, one secretary, one box containing carriage, etc., one chest No. 2 and contents, one saw, one gasoline oven, one hanging lamp, one brown mare.

Terms of sale—All sums of $5 or less shall be paid in cash on day of sale; all sums in excess of $5, cash in hand or a credit of six months at the option of the purchaser, the purchaser to give note with approved security with interest at 7 per cent. per annum from date until paid upon all deferred payments. No property to be removed until the terms of said sale are complied with.

Dated this 27th day of May, A. D. 1897.

JEROME E. GORIN, Administrator.

May 27-d 4 w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of John P. Auer, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of John P. Auer, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1897.

JOHN G. AUER, Administrator.

June 8-d3w*

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

Winter Tourist Rates are now on to points south and southwest.

Settlers' Half Fare rates to points south every 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.

Take the new Daylight Special for Chicago and St. Louis—Solid Daily train.

City Ticket Office removed from 116 Library Block to 131 East William street, directly across the street. Telephone, New No. 68; Old No. 480. Union Depot Telephone No. 47, New.

Homeseekers' Excursions.

At the low rate of One Fare for the Round Trip, plus $2.00, to certain points South from stations on Illinois Central west of Iowa Falls, Iowa, inclusive, on Mondays, May 31st and June 14th. East of Iowa Falls and north of Cairo, Ill., one day later, viz.: Tuesdays, June 1st and 15th.

For a copy of the Southern Homeseekers' Guide, describing the agricultural advantages of the country traversed by the Illinois Central and the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroads, address, M. Manchester, Iowa, J. F. Merry, Assistant General Passenger Agent. For information in regard to Railroad Lands in Southern Illinois and in the famous Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi, address at Chicago, E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R.

Tickets and full information concerning all of the above can be had of agents of the Illinois Central and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass'r Agent, Chicago.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles Devore, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Devore, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1897.

ALBERT H. COFE, Administrator.

June 14-d3w

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of H. Clay Depew, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of H. Clay Depew, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 24 day of June, 1897.

NETTIE M. DEPEW, Administratrix.

June 2—d3w

PATENTS

Caveats and Trade-Marks obtained and all Patent business conducted for MODERATE FEES.

Our office is opposite the U. S. Patent Office and we can secure patents in less time than those remote from Washington.

Send model, drawing or photo, with description. We advise if patentable or not, free of charge. Our fee not due till patent is secured.

A PAMPHLET, containing Law and Rules and how to obtain Patents, sent free.

C. A. SNOW & CO.

OPP. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to May 30, 1897.]

Wabash Line.

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	12	* 3:00 p m
14	*11:55 a m	16	* 3:05 p m
16	† 6:45 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		**FROM ST. LOUIS.**	
3	* 2:40 a m	8	*12:25 a m
11	* 8:55 a m	6	*11:35 a m
5	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:45 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	† 8:35 p m
1	*12:30 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
		15 Sun. only	10:00 p m
TO TOLEDO.		**FROM TOLEDO.**	
6	* 8:30 a m	1	*12:10 p m
4	*11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	† 8:00 p m
10 Lef acc.	†4:01 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
15 Dan. "	†8:45 a m	11	*10:07 a m
TO QUINCY.		**FROM QUINCY.**	
8	* 4:07 p m	6	*11:20 a m
2	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:00 p m
17 Spfld only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfld	† 8:42 a m
11 Spfld acc.	†10:11 a m	10 Lfg. acc.	† 4:37 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Vandalia Line.

In effect May 16, 1897.
Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.	
No. 7, Ex., Sun. 10:50 a. m.	For Peoria
No. 21, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m.	For Peoria
FOR THE EAST.	
No. 8, Ex., Sun. 1:45 p. m.	For Terre Haute
No. 12, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m.	For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Kilgore, G. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Dist. Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.		SOUTH.	
Dispatch Special, daily	1:32 a m	Dispatch Special, daily	2:55 a m
No. 102, daily	11:35 a m	No. 122 pass. ex. Sunday	9:00 a m
No. 104 freight ex. Sunday	3:00 p m	No. 120 freight ex. Sunday	10:10 a m
No. 106 pass. ex. Sunday	6:11 p m	No. 128, daily	5:00 p m
No. 108 (Champ'n line) leaves 8:25. Sunday	2:20 p m	No. 126 (Champ'n line) arrives 8:30. Sunday	10:15 a m
No. 110—to Chicago, via Champ'n, daily	7:15 a m	No. 124—From Chicago, daily	7:05 p m
No. 130 daily to Chicago	11:00 a m	No. 1, daily to St. Louis	9:00 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria		Arrive from Evansville	
A No. 1	10:05 a. m.	A No. 3	3:45 p. m.
D No. 7	12:10 p. m.	D No. 5	6:35 p. m.
A No. 11	2:00 p. m.	A No. 9	7:10 a. m.
A No. 43	11:30 a. m.	D No. 47	4:10 p. m.
Depart for Peoria		**Depart for Evansville**	
A No. 2	3:47 p. m.	A No. 1	10:30 a. m.
A No. 4	6:25 p. m.	D No. 3	10:35 p. m.
D No. 44	7:00 a. m.	A No. 11	8:15 p. m.
A No. 46	9:00 p. m.	D No. 41	10:30 a. m.

A—Daily. D—Except Sunday. "a"—Except Monday. "p"—Sunday Only.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.		LEAVE.	
No. 1 Pass.	9:05 p m	No. 4 Pass.	10:00 p m
No. 3 Pass.	6:00 a m	No. 2 Pass.	11:15 a m
" 7	10:00 a m	" 8	3:00 p m
" 9	6:00 p m	" 10	6:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Homer, Ill., account Modern Woodmen's picnic. One and one-third fare for the round trip. Sell June 17, good to return till June 18.

San Francisco and return, account National Convention Y. P. S. C. E. Tickets will be sold one way at the rate of fare from Chicago, $24 from Decatur. Stop over permitted in Colorado and west thereof. Returning tickets same price via direct line; $2.00 extra via Portland and steamer, or $7.50 via Portland and rail. Dates of sale west bound June 30th and 30th, July 1st, 2d and 5th, good to reach San Francisco by July 6th. East bound July 11th to 17th inclusive, July 19th, 20th, 24th, 25th, August 2d, 3d, 9th, final limit returning August 18th.

Chautauqua, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua,) account meeting of Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 14th, nor later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account Young People's Christian Union Universalist church. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to July 10th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 13th and 12th, good returning till July 16th.

Pittsburg, Pa., account Junior Order United American Mechanics, National Council. One fare round trip. Tickets sold June 13th, 14th and 15th, good returning till June 21st.

National Educational Association, Milwaukee. One fare plus $1.00 round trip. Tickets sold July 3d, 4th and 5th; good to return leaving Milwaukee July 10th, 11th and 12th, or by paying 50 cents and deposting ticket with joint agent an extension till August 31st may be obtained.

Erie, Pa., account meeting Knights of St. John. Tickets sold June 23d and 24th. One fare round trip, good returning to June 25th.

The Wabash has arranged to run tourist cars, St. Louis to San Francisco, account Christian Endeavor meeting, leaving St. Louis at 9 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, June 29th, and Thursday, July 1st. Rate per double berth, $6.40. Parties wishing to take these sleepers will have to leave Decatur on No. 15 at 4 p. m. Berths can be reserved by applying at city office.

Summer tickets now on sale to the mountains and sea shore.

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21st to 26th.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

B. Y. P. U. Rks, Minneapolis, July 4 and 5.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st.

Detroit, Mich., account Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 7 to 10.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bogard on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Harvest Excursion tickets will be sold to all points in the west, south, and southwest on June 15th, at one fare plus $2 for round trip. Limited to 21 days.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rates, routes and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to O. A. Fostlock, passenger and ticket agent, Wabash Railroad, Decatur, Ills.

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21 to 26.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct 31st.

Warsaw, Ind., account Winona Assembly, May 15 to August 26.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 12th to 21st.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 6th to August 12th.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. Union, Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till August 30th.

Cassville, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua) account meeting Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 14th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account Young People's Christian Union Universalist church. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to July 10th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 13th and 14th. Good returning till July 16th.

Pittsburg, Pa., account Junior Order United American Mechanics, National Council. One fare round trip. Tickets sold June 13th, 14th and 15th; good returning till June 21st.

Niagara Falls (Suspension Bridge) and return account meeting to Honor the Pope and Peace Jubilee. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 20th, 21st, 22d, good returning to July 23d.

[illegible]

All the New Spring Novelties,

JUST RECEIVED.

INCLUDING

LORGNETTE CHAINS,
In Silver and Gold.

Silver and Gold Chain Pocketbooks.

SHIRT WAIST SETS,
In Endless Varieties, in Silver and Gold, From 25 Cents to $2.50 a Set.

THE FINEST LINE OF BELTS
We have ever had; not the cheap kind, but sure enough *Leather Belts*, with Leather Covered Buckles, in all lengths.

We can Please You we are Sure.
PLEASE INSPECT THE LINES.

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

We Have Always Been Known

To give good shoe value, but we have never given so much for the customer's money as now. We are especially proud of our shoes at $2.00, Button or Lace; with the style and fit of shoes at much higher prices. We bought them right and we are satisfied with small margins.

VISIT OUR BARGAIN DEPARTMENT.

FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.,
B. F. BOBO, Manager.
148 EAST MAIN STREET. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks in Sidewalk

Rainbow Stripes Shirt Waists.

New line just received, the finest fitting WAIST in the city.....

ONE LOT SHIRT WAISTS, in Imported Madras and Percale, with collars and cuffs attached and detached, value up to $2.00, $1.75, $1.50, choice of lot....*50c*

H. G. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

GRAPE JUICE

makes a most delicious and refreshing drink, when served as a Phosphate or as an Ice Cream Soda. Come in and try one. Have you seen our new Fountain? It is the largest and finest in the city.

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

ROYAL CIRCLE.—Decatur Circle No 17, will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at Odd Fellows' hall, corner North Main and William streets. R. F. DAVIDSON, Worthy Ruler. A. M. BLYTHE, Sec'y.

LOCAL NEWS.

Deaz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

German household dyes at Irwin's.

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 98-dtf

Don't think of missing the Wabash cheap excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The Wabash will run a $3 Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago June 19 and 20.—8-td

The long-looked-for has come. Chicago and return via Wabash June 19 and 20, only $3.—8-td

Irwin's Cascara tablets will cure habitual constipation; 90 doses, 25c.

Rev. L. C. Hays was at Argenta yesterday and delivered an I. O. O. F. memorial address.

The first of the season, Wabash, Saturday and Sunday excursion to Chicago, June 19 and 20.—8-td

To Loan—$200, $300, $500, $600, $1000, $1200, $1500, $4000. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, 124 N. Water st. 10-d6

Sunday the Springfield club defeated the St. Louis Diehls 5 to 1. McGinty is credited with having struck out five men. Hits, Springfield 11; Diehls, 1.

To Chicago for $3 for Wabash trains of Saturday, June 19, at 8:45 and 11:45 a. m. and 1:05 Sunday morning, 20th.—8-td

Kola-Vena is the most invigorating drink, sold only at Irwin's.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

Webb C. Foster at 1075 North Water street has on hand the best cuts of beef, veal, pork and mutton, etc., and a fresh and full line of all goods in his line.

You can get magic toothache drops at Irwin's drug store.

There will be a called meeting of the W. C. T. U. at their hall tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present as business of importance will be transacted.

Mrs. Mead, wife of Frank Mead, letter carrier, was a victim of a wily pickpocket today. She was down town taking in the parade and the thief got in his work. He secured $4.60 and a neat book. Lois discovered too late to identify the thief.

While the parade was in progress this forenoon the chief detective with the Barnum & Bailey show arrested three pick pockets. They were seen at Danville, and seeing them here he had them put in jail. They did not have any plunder in their possession.

Cyclone in West Virginia.

Wheeling, W. Va., June 14.—A severe cyclone struck the town of Elkins Sunday and did considerable damage. Trees were uprooted, roofs were blown off, several houses lifted from their foundations and the walls of new buildings under construction were wrecked. The damage was principally in the residence portion of the city. Trees and outbuildings on Senator Elkins' grounds were badly damaged. Posten's new opera house, under construction, was completely wrecked.

Panic in a School House.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 14.—A panic occurred in a Polish school house on Broadway last night. A church entertainment was being held and 1500 people, principally women and children, were present. A hanging lamp fell and a cry of fire was raised. Men, women and children rushed, crowded and stumbled and tramped over each other in their effort to reach the exit. No one was fatally injured but a large number of women and children were bruised. The fire was soon extinguished.

Eight Arrested.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon eight men had been arrested by the police. Four of them were pickpockets. One man who was suspected of being a crook was taken up by Officer Cross in Lincoln park. Three other plain drunks were given room in the city prison.

Flag Day.

This is the 120th anniversary of the birth of the American flag.

A. A. Allin, formerly of the T. P. & W., with headquarters at Peoria, has been appointed vice-president of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad.

Three car loads of tools, horses and mules have been unloaded at Green Valley, where work will be commenced on the St. Louis, Peoria, and Northern railway.

Arrival of the Great Tented Exposition at the Race Track—The Crowd and the Parade.

With the great mass of people the presence of the Barnum & Bailey circus, the greatest show on earth, at the race track since early Sunday morning, has been the sole object of interest and topic of conversation. Many a man and boy went to bed early Saturday night so that they might be at the Water street crossing of the Wabash road to witness the unloading of the four special trains which arrived from Danville. By many it was believed that the show would not get in until a late hour. They got fooled. The whole outfit had been transferred to the race track before 7 o'clock. All day there was a big crowd at the grounds viewing the systematic, quiet work of the men in putting up the tents, driving the stakes, caring for the animals and providing food for man and beast. Mr. Bailey, the owner of the show, was on the grounds during the day and his lieutenants carried out all orders, which are about the same in every city. The big tent was not put up Sunday, because if there had been a storm during Sunday or at night, damage might have resulted. The tent went up early this forenoon.

The Parade.

The greatest crowd in many years thronged the streets today and it has been a great day for business. The big show never fails to draw the people. The parade, which in its entirety was a magnificent spectacle, took place at 10 o'clock. It was a splendid free show, worth traveling many miles to witness. The team of 40 horses driven by one man led the way, and then came the four bands, glistening chariots, herd of 20 elephants, and many other striking features to win praise and applause.

The Show.

This afternoon a great mass of the city and country people attended the big show and all were splendidly entertained. The menagerie is the finest collection of expensive animals in the country, and includes a number of rare species nowhere else to be found. The wonderful gorilla Johanna is the most interesting of the animals and probably the most brainy and intellectual animal ever in captivity. Johanna is much younger than Chiko, the first of Mr. Bailey's pair of gorillas, but she has already developed greater intelligence than she possessed. With her the imitative faculty is strong and she does whatever she sees people doing about her, as if anxious to get into the "swim" of human society. She wears skirts and housewrappers, smokes cigarettes, stirs her toddy with a spoon, and drinks it off like a seasoned old justice. But even more interesting to the thinking spectator than the collection of animals is the group of rare specimens of humanity that occupies the most prominent place under the menagerie pavilion. Here are the Orissa Twins, Radica and Doodica, the young Hindu girls, who are joined together by a more wonderful living ligature than the Siamese twins. They are pretty, and are only 14 years old, and when in New York recently were very unjustly taken out of the exhibition by the orders of the Gerry society, whose agent couldn't see that they were better off in the bright atmosphere of Madison square garden than cooped up in a freak's boarding house. Here also are the largest and the smallest of living humanity—Ella Ewing, a young Missouri giantess, nearly nine feet tall, and Great Peter the Small, a wee mite of a man only 22 inches high, small enough to go to bed in Miss Ewing's shoe. Peter weighs 6¼ pounds, less than a majority of healthy babies at birth. There is also a fine vaudeville show given here, including a concerts on all the odd and little known instruments of both ancient and modern times, and of both savage and civilized nations. In addition to the other attractions of the menagerie tent, a fine military band, assisted by the beautiful young cornet soloist, Jessie Miller, gives a high class concert during the preliminary hour. Of the circus it needs only to be said that it is the good old Barnum & Bailey three-ring circus with Rose Wentworth, the Meers sisters, William Showles and other favorite riders; the Dunbams, Silbons, Dunbars, Potters and other first-class aerialists; the Herns, Werts and O'Brien and other wonderful acrobats; LaRoche, the mysterious accomplonist; John O'Brien, with seventy trained horses in one ring, besides trained elephants, bulls, bears, dogs, monkeys, hogs, lions, tigers; Jessie Villars and Olga Olschanzky, the only lady clowns, besides Peter Cahan, Harry Wentworth and a score of funny fellows. As it all concludes with exciting hippodrome races and the great jumping horses Flemsker and Oxford, exhibited by the English equestrienne, Miss Nellie Reid and the greatest American horsewoman, Mme. Maranette.

Found at Last.

J. F. McCabe, of New York city, the king of the Socks, has been found at last. He was discovered this forenoon trying very cleverly to hide his identity as a street clown with the Barnum & Bailey show. Farmer Coltrin recognized him at once and the king gave the local chief a pleasant call. He is thoroughly satisfied with the condition of affairs in Decatur.

The Circuit Court.

Judge Vail held court this forenoon and heard a number of motions on the civil dockets. This afternoon the petit jury men were impanelled and prisoners in the county jail were arraigned. The jail cases will be tried as soon as possible.

WE WILL CELEBRATE

Plans About Completed for a Big Fourth of July Celebration.

IT WILL BE A GREAT AFFAIR.

Woman's Relief Corps, Mayor Taylor and Others are Leaders — Bicycle Races, Athletics and Games — Fireworks and Band Concert.

It is understood that there is a movement on foot to hold a Fourth of July entertainment and celebration in Decatur on Saturday, July 3, which, if reports are reliable, will be one of the greatest days Decatur has had in many years. The affair has not yet assumed the organic form but is in the hands of those who know how to put it in that condition and there is no doubt that full details will be ready for the public in a few days. It is said the proposition originated with the Dunham Relief Corps and that part of the plan is to have a regular old-fashioned Fourth, supplemented with bicycle races and athletic contests in which many from other cities will take part.

The celebration will be a general one and the management will be in the hands of an executive committee who, when the names of those who compose it are given out, will insure the success of the festival. There will be an oration by one of the most prominent men in the state, an immense chorus of singers, the games mentioned above, band concerts, fire works, and everything to make it an occasion of general enjoyment for all who will attend.

It is understood that Saturday has been selected as the day to hold it on account of the fact that Springfield, Clinton and nearly all other neighboring cities will celebrate on Monday and unless it is held on Saturday many of the games could not be filled on account of other celebrations. The plans as outlined, if carried out, will bring many thousands of people to Decatur and will give them such an entertainment as will please them all. Those who have taken up this matter and evolved the plans, for making it a success are entitled to the good will and encouragement of the business people of the city as it has been many years since Decatur has held a first class Fourth of July meeting.

It is understood that in this patriotic effort the ladies of the Womans' Relief Corps, the personal assistance, experience and enthusiasm of Mayor Taylor and F. B. Mueller has been secured. All will have the support of the entire community.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

William H. King was Thrown from a Buggy Sunday and Had Two Ribs Broken.

William H. King met with an accident Sunday and was seriously injured. He was driving a young horse hitched to a road wagon. While crossing the Wabash at Jasper street the animal became frightened and ran away. At the corner of Eldorado and Jasper streets Mr. King was thrown out. He had two ribs broken and his body was badly bruised. He was taken to a residence near by and Dr. Parish was called. He was unconscious for half an hour after the accident. Mr. King is 76 years old and is suffering greatly from the severe nervous shock of the accident.

Attention, W. R. C. and G. A. R.

All the members of Dunham Relief Corps and Dunham Post are requested to meet at the Post hall at 8 o'clock sharp Tuesday evening for a few minutes' consultation in which the Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid are also requested to participate. The meeting will be short so as not to interfere with the regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid. W. F. Calhoun, Commander Dunham Post. Mrs. Sue Abel, President Dunham Relief Corps.

Hot Enough.

The temperature is high enough today to satisfy the most exacting circus lemonade and fan vendor. It was 98 in the shade on Sunday and several degrees hotter today, according to location and exposure. The heated term seems to be with us at last. It was 101 in the shade today.

Excursion to Mackinaw.

The Grace M. E. Sunday school will give an excursion and picnic to Mackinaw Thursday, June 17. Friends of the school and the public generally are very cordially invited to go with them. Fare for the round trip 50 cents, children under 15 years 25 cents. The train will leave the Union depot at 7:30 a. m.—11-d6t.

Son of Dr. J. R. Prestley Dead.

John Hugh Prestley, aged 8 years and 2 months, eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. James P. Prestley, died of pneumonia at the family home in Chicago on Sunday. The grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Prestley, left for Chicago last night to attend the funeral.

Marriage Licenses.

William Needham, Decatur, 27.
Etta Elliott, Decatur, 22.

Account Barnum circus the I. D. & W. railway will, on Monday, June 14, hold their local No. 15, due to leave at 4 p. m. for Newman and intermediate points, at 3:15 p. m.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Hon. B. J. Oglesby is visiting friends in the city.

—Peter Vredenburg, Jr., of Springfield, visited in the city Sunday

—Miss Ethel Baldwin left this morning for Oak Park, where she will visit friends.

—Miss Grace Brown, who has been in the city with relatives, left this morning for her home in Oak Park.

—Mis Lillian Bondi, of Salina, Kansas, arrived in the city yesterday to visit Miss Irene Shellabarger.

—T. B. Adams, of St. Louis, is in the city visiting John L. Adams and taking a rest. He is one of the chief bosses in the management of the Eads bridge.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Baugh, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, are in the city visiting States Attorney Mills and family. Mrs. Baugh is a twin sister of the mother of Mrs. Mills.

—Captain Chris Riebsame, a veteran of the 116th, and one of the few surviving charter members of Post 1, G. A. R., is now at Atlantic City, N. J., where he is suffering with insomnia. He recently attended the New Jersey state G. A. R. encampment and was an honored guest of the department.

—Tuscola Journal: Miss Laura Tullis, of Decatur, well known to Tuscola people, has been offered a position by Dr. A. E. Auten, surgeon of the insane department of the Chester penitentiary. In company with Mrs. Auten, Miss Tullis left Thursday morning to assume her official duties. Miss Tullis will be connected with the accountant department, and her position is one involving considerable responsibility. Miss Tullis is a niece of Mrs. W. S. Martin of Tuscola.

CHURCH DINNER.

The Ladies of the Edward Street Christian Church Serve a Meal to Large Number of Persons.

The ladies of the Edward street Christian church served dinner today to hundreds of persons. They rented two store rooms, one on Merchant street and another on East Main street, and both places were well patronized. The ladies who supervised both places were Mrs. M. P. Murphy and Mrs. Pilcher. The room on Merchant street was decorated with flowers and plants and an excellent dinner was served. The kitchen was in charge of Mrs. Carrie Hostetler and Mrs. James Turner. The dining room was in charge of Mrs. B. S. Tyler and Mrs. R. J. Ross and they were assisted by Mrs. McNabb, Mrs. Frank Leforgee, Mrs. Ives, Mrs Stevenson and Miss Corwine. The reception committee was composed of Mrs. F. P. Howard and Mrs. Diller. Tickets were sold by F. P. Howard and collected by Mrs. Colladay. Mrs. George W. Jones sold at the lunch counter. At the Main street room the dinner was in charge of Mrs. Deinstbier, Mrs. Bridges and Mrs. Eyman. In the kitchen was Miss Miller, Miss Landis and Miss Wood. The dining room was in charge of Mrs. Midkiff, Mrs. Diller, Miss Pritchett, Miss Bridges, Mrs. Aunget and Mrs. J. E. Patterson. The reception committee was Mrs. J. C. Riggin and Mrs. Hart. J. E. Patterson sold tickets and Mrs. Scanlan was in charge of the lunch counter.

The dinner served at both places was the same. There was roast beef with gravy, and potatoes, veal with new potatoes, slaw, corn, tomatoes, pickles, coffee and pie. Twenty-five cents was charged for dinner and ice cream and cake was sold for ten cents. At the lunch counter milk, sandwiches, coffee, pie and peanuts were offaredd for sale.

Did a Good Business.

The soda water men and lemonade stands did a splendid business today. The drug stores were crowded all day and the men who work the fountains had about all they could attend to. The restaurant men say that business was better today than it has been since the time the veterans were here. J. M. Huff served dinner for about 400 people.

MONEY TO LOAN—Any amount; reasonable terms. Apply to Geo. W. Ehrhart, 137 North Water street, up stairs. May 31-d1m

Struck by a Car.

There was a collision between a vehicle and street car this morning at the corner of North Water and Division streets. A farmer tried to drive his surrey across the track in front of an electric car and was struck. The shafts and a wheel were broken.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against alum and all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.